



**PROCLAMATION OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY  
BY THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES  
FOR THE COUNTY OF AMADOR**

**WHEREAS**, Government Code section 8630, et. Seq., and Chapter 2.64 of the County Code of Amador empowers the Director of Emergency Services to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when said county is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity and the County Board of Supervisors is not in session, subject to ratification by the Board of Supervisors within seven days and reaffirmation every 14 days thereafter until such local emergency is terminated; and

**WHEREAS**, the Director of Emergency Services of the County of Amador does hereby find that conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons has arisen within this county, caused by an extreme winter storm that began on December 26, 2021 and ongoing, brining record setting amounts of snow to Amador County; and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of the wind and extreme snowfall numerous amounts of trees have fallen, resulting in damaged structures, critical infrastructure, downed power lines, and obstructed roads; and

**WHEREAS**, the winter storm caused thousands of Amador County residents to lose power with the potential to be out of service for several days; and

**WHEREAS**, there have been numerous calls for assistance, resulting in the need for additional life safety and public safety resources, and

**WHEREAS**, on December 30, 2021, the Amador County Office of Emergency Services activated its emergency operations center to support the needs of emergency and public services agencies across the operational area; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 29, 2021, The Amador County Fire Protection District requested the Amador County proclaim a local emergency, due to ongoing severe weather conditions posing a life safety threat to the residents of Amador County, and

**WHEREAS**, there are likely to be damages not immediately evident due to heavy snow that may delay damage assessments that could ultimately result in the need to request access to state and federal disaster relief programs, to include funding under the California Disaster Assistance Act (CDAA); and

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**WHEREAS**, the aforementioned conditions of extreme peril created by the winter storm constitute a local emergency and warrant and necessitate the Proclamation of the Existence of a Local Emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Amador is not in session and cannot immediately be called into session; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED:**

1. By the Director of Emergency Services for the County of Amador that a local emergency, as defined in Government Section 8558 now exists throughout the County of Amador.
2. During the existence of said local emergency, the powers, functions, and duties of the Director of Emergency Services and the emergency organization of the county shall be those prescribed by state law, and by ordinance and resolutions of this county, and that this emergency proclamation shall expire seven (7) days after issuance unless this emergency proclamation is confirmed and ratified by the Board of Supervisors
3. That a copy of this declaration be forwarded to the Director of the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services requesting that the Director find it acceptable in accordance with State law; that the Governor of California, pursuant to the Emergency Services Act, issue a proclamation declaring an emergency in Amador County; that the Governor waive regulations that may hinder response and recovery efforts; and that the State expedite access to State and Federal resources and any other appropriate federal relief programs to include funding under CDAA.
4. This proclamation and its contents will be published and promulgated in as widespread a manner as reasonably feasibly under the conditions prevailing during this local emergency.



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**Gary W. Redman**  
**Director of Emergency Services**

December 30, 2021  
**Date**