

# Before the Board of Supervisors County of Placer, State of California

**In the matter of: REAFFIRM THE PROCLAMATION OF  
THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY BY THE  
DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR THE  
COUNTY OF PLACER DUE TO THE DECEMBER 26,  
2021 WINTER STORMS**

Resolution No.: 2022-051

The following Resolution was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer  
at a Regular Meeting held March 22, 2022, by the following vote:

Ayes: GORE, WEYGANDT, HOLMES, JONES, GUSTAFSON

Noes: NONE

Absent: NONE

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

  
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Chair, Board of Supervisors

Attest:

  
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Clerk of said Board

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**WHEREAS**, Chapter 2 of the Placer County Code authorizes the Director of Emergency Services of Placer County to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency whenever the County is affected or likely to be affected by a local emergency and the Placer County Board of Supervisors is not in session; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 2.88.060 of the Placer County Code requires whenever a local emergency is declared by a local official designated by ordinance, said local emergency shall not remain in effect for more than seven (7) days unless it has been ratified by the governing body; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 29, 2021, the Director of Emergency Services proclaimed a local emergency due to the December 26, 2021 and ongoing winter storms; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 4, 2022, at a Special Meeting, the Placer County Board of Supervisors ratified the local emergency proclamation with the adoption of Resolution No. 2022-001; and

**WHEREAS**, starting on December 26, 2021, severe winter storms occurred within and around Placer County resulting in record setting amounts of snow in Placer County; and

**WHEREAS**, because of the wind and extreme snowfall hundreds of trees have fallen, resulting in damaged structures, damage to critical infrastructure, downed power lines, and obstructed roads; and

**WHEREAS**, the winter storms caused thousands of Placer County residents to lose power for several days; and

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

**WHEREAS**, on December 27, 2021, the Placer 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 27, 2021, the City of Colfax proclaimed a local emergency due to severe winter storms and is receiving mutual aid from Placer County and Placer County Fire; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 27, 2021, the Foresthill Fire Protection District sent a letter requesting that Placer County proclaim a local emergency following a vote by their Board of Directors, due to ongoing severe weather conditions posing a life safety threat to the residents of the Foresthill Divide; 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 assistance under the California Disaster Assistance Act; and

**WHEREAS**, public right-of-ways continue to contain significant debris, residents throughout the county are in the process of clearing substantial debris from their properties, and utilities are in the process of making permanent repairs to damaged infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS**, the aforementioned conditions created by the winter storms constitute a local emergency and warrant and necessitate the Proclamation of the Existence of a Local Emergency.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Placer County Board of Supervisors hereby reaffirms the December 29, 2021 proclamation of a local emergency due to the December 26, 2021, and ongoing winter storms due to the significant, ongoing, and possible undiscovered impacts of the storms in Placer County.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Placer County Board of Supervisors shall review the need for continuing the local emergency at least every sixty (60) days and shall terminate the emergency as soon as local conditions warrant.

**BE IT PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED** The foregoing Resolution was duly passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors for the County of Placer, State of California at the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors on March 22, 2022 by the vote listed above.