

**DECLARATION OF LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER
FOR WINTER WEATHER EMERGENCY
CITY OF VALLEY VIEW, TEXAS**

WHEREAS, the City of Valley View, Texas (“City”) on the 18th day of February 2021, has determined that severe weather continues to pose a threat of widespread and severe property damage, injury and loss of life due to prolonged freezing temperatures, heavy snow and freezing rain in Valley View; and

WHEREAS, record cold conditions are expected with temperatures remaining below freezing now through most of the week. More snow is possible now through the end of the week and power outages continue to pose a threat during the winter storm; and

WHEREAS, the City has incurred continued loss of power to critical infrastructure that includes commercial and residential properties and utility systems, that are integral to the health, safety and welfare of our citizens, loss of communications, cell service, internet, preventing the City’s ability to keep our citizens informed; loss of water pressure and supply due to the freezing of service and supply lines from the continual unprecedented cold temperatures; loss of fuel including gas and diesel due to the conditions in the City; and

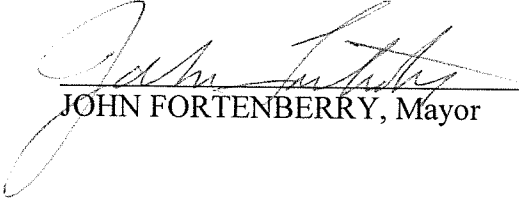
WHEREAS, Section 418.108 of the Texas Government Code provides that the Mayor of the City may declare a local state of disaster to reduce the vulnerability of people and communities in the City resulting from natural disasters, including a winter weather emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of Valley View has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to prepare and alleviate any suffering of people and to protect or rehabilitate property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF VALLEY VIEW, TEXAS:

1. In accordance with Section 418.108 of the Texas Government Code, a local state of disaster and public health emergency is hereby proclaimed for the City of Valley View.
2. Pursuant to Section 418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code, this order may not be continued or renewed for a period of more than seven (7) days except by consent of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Valley View.
3. That this declaration shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

ORDERED this the 18th day of February 2021.


JOHN FORTENBERRY, Mayor

ATTEST:


Lynn Morgan, City Secretary

