

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HARRISONBURG
RATIFYING AND TERMINATING THE DECLARATION OF A LOCAL
EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, Section 44.1-146.21 of the Code of Virginia authorizes the local director of emergency management to declare a local emergency in the event the governing body cannot convene due to the disaster or other exigent circumstances, subject to confirmation by the governing body at its next regularly scheduled meeting or at a special meeting within 45 days of the declaration, whichever occurs first; and

WHEREAS, on Saturday, January 24, 2026, at 12:25 PM, the City Manager of the City of Harrisonburg, acting in his capacity as the local director of emergency management, declared a local emergency effective immediately in response to the severe snow and ice storm; and

WHEREAS, the declaration of a local emergency empowers the City to take all necessary actions to protect the health, safety, and welfare of its residents, including the mobilization of resources, the deployment of emergency response personnel, and the implementation of emergency measures; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Harrisonburg has reviewed the circumstances of the emergency and the actions taken by the local director of emergency management;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Harrisonburg, Virginia as follows:

1. The City Council hereby confirms and ratifies the declaration of a local emergency made on January 24, 2026 at 12:25 PM.
2. The City Council finds that the conditions of extreme peril to life, property, and public safety caused by the storm have subsided and the local emergency is terminated and no longer in effect.

Adopted this 10th day of February, 2026.

Deanna R. Reed, Mayor

ATTEST:

Pamela Ulmer, City Clerk