

PROCLAMATION OF EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY
BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF FRESNO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF THE)
2017 FEBRUARY WINTER STORMS)

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Fresno County Ordinance Code, Chapter 2.44, empowers the Emergency Services Director 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 Board of Supervisors is not in session; and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Services Director of the County of Fresno did find that a crippling disaster, which severely impairs public health and public safety, was created by conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property which have arisen within said County, due to the likely breach of a levee in the area of Tranquillity threatening residences, businesses and public facilities, commencing on the 16th day of February, 2017 and escalating in accumulated impact on this County; and

WHEREAS, recent storms have been filling reservoirs resulting in high water releases into rivers and streams, causing stress to the levee system that protects community residents and property throughout Fresno County; and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Services Director of the County of Fresno on February 21, 2017, proclaimed a local emergency; and

WHEREAS, local resources are inadequate to cope with the effects of said emergency and the combined forces of other political subdivisions of the State are required to assist the County to combat the effects of said emergency;

1 NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED that the Board of Supervisors ratifies
2 the declaration of a local emergency proclaimed by the Emergency Services Director of the County
3 of Fresno on February 21, 2017; and

4 IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of said local
5 emergency the powers, functions, and duties for the emergency organization of this County shall
6 be those prescribed by State law, ordinances and resolutions of this County, and by the County of
7 Fresno Operational Area Master Emergency Services Plan; and

8 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Proclamation be forwarded to the State
9 Director of the Office of Emergency Services.

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11 THE FOREGOING was passed and adopted by the following vote of the
12 Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno this 28th day of February, 2017, to-wit:

13 AYES: Supervisors Borgeas, Magsig, Mendes, Pacheco, Quintero

14 NOES: None

15 ABSENT: None

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18 CHAIRMAN, Board of Supervisors

19 ATTEST:

20 BERNICE E. SEIDEL
21 Clerk, Board of Supervisors

22 By Susan Bishop

23 Deputy
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