EMERGENCY DECLARATION



WHEREAS, a sudden, generally unexpected occurrence or set of circumstances demanding immediate public action has arisen within the City of Springfield, which incident is generally described as follows:

WHEREAS Winter Storm JUNO has winds in excess of 40 miles per hour and snows in excess of 20 inches which may cause extensive damage, power outages and dangerous conditions that will severely impact the City.

WHEREAS, the Director of the City's Office of Emergency Preparedness has determined that the aforesaid incident poses a present and reasonable imminent danger to public health, safety or general welfare of the people of Springfield or their property so that it has become necessary for the Director to utilize and coordinate the services, equipment, supplies and facilities of existing departments, offices and agencies of the City for the purposes of emergency management and emergency functions; and

WHEREAS, the Director has determined that the immediate public action is needed to prevent, minimize, or mitigate damage to the public health, safety or general welfare of the people of Springfield or their property which may otherwise result from the above described incident and that taking the time required to comply with the various state and local procurement laws would endanger the health or safety of the people or their property; and

WHEREAS, the Director has recommended that a limited state of emergency be declared in the City of Springfield; and

WHEREAS, the people of the City of Springfield should be able to depend upon guidance from their Chief Executive Officer;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Domenic J. Sarno, Mayor of the City of Springfield, Massachusetts, hereby declare that as of 1:00 PM, January 26th, 2015, a *limited state of emergency exists in the City of Springfield*. This declaration of emergency shall remain in effect until notice is given, pursuant to my judgement, that the limited state of emergency no longer exists.

Date: January 26th, 2015_

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