

The Office of the Speaker

SPEAKER LEO W. CAVINDER

DECLARATION NO. 231-01

WHEREAS, The National Weather Service (NWS) is predicting a major winter event to take place this Friday, March 3, 2023.

WHEREAS, A Winter Storm Warning has been issued from 11 AM (CST) to 11 PM (CST), with the expectation that there will be heavy snow.

WHEREAS, Total snow accumulations are predicted to be 4 to 8 inches with isolated higher amounts around 10 inches.

WHEREAS, Wind gusts as high as 45 miles per hour are expected.

WHEREAS, NWS predicts that travel could be difficult, especially the evening commute.

WHEREAS, Gusty winds and wet snow could bring down tree branches leading to power outages.

WHEREAS, House of Commons Code § 2-5-6 gives the Speaker the sole power and authority to declare a State of Emergency when assistance and resources are needed to control a situation that requires abnormal support, resources, and funding.

THEREFORE, BE IT

Resolved, that pursuant to HCC § 2-5-6, I hereby declare a State of Emergency in effect from 10:00 AM (CST) on March 3, 2023 through 10:00 AM (CST) on March 4, 2023, and may be extended should it be warranted.

Resolved, that I order the Highway Management Agency (HMA) to spend the necessary funds to prepare, maintain, and clear the roads in the House's jurisdiction.

Resolved, that Members are encouraged not to travel outside the House while a State of Emergency is in effect.



BE IT SO ORDERED.


LEO W. CAVINDER, SPEAKER

ATTEST: 
L.C. CLERK