

Speaker of the House

LEO W. CAVINDER

TO ALL WHO COME, GREETINGS:

- WHEREAS, As Speaker of the House it is my responsibility to ensure that the House can operate effectively.
- WHEREAS, When certain conditions compromise this, I am responsible for taking the necessary steps to relief the situation.
- WHEREAS, House of Commons Code (HCC) § 2-5-6(a)(2) provides that the Speaker shall have the sole power to declare a State of Emergency if the Speaker determines that the threat of a disaster is imminent.
- WHEREAS, The National Weather Service (NWS) has issued a Winter Storm Warning for La Porte, IN with heavy lake effect snow giving snow totals of 6 to 12 inches with certain areas have localized amounts greater than a foot.
- WHEREAS, I issued Declaration No. 241-03 to declare a State of Emergency and powers which were set to expire at noon on January 19, 2024.
- WHEREAS, The NWS has extended the Winter Storm Warning with more snow, specifically lake effect expected to continue throughout the day and Friday night.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (1) A State of Emergency pursuant to HCC § 2-5-6 and all powers granted in Declaration No. 241-03 shall be extended until 2:00 PM on January 20, 2024.

BE IT SO ORDERED.



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Leo W. Cavinder".

Leo W. Cavinder

The Honorable Speaker of the House