

# SPEAKER LEO W. CAVINDER

## DECLARATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY

DECEMBER 20, 2022

- WHEREAS, The National Weather Service (NWS) is predicting a major winter weather storm later this week.
- WHEREAS, The heaviest snow accumulations are expected between late Thursday night through Friday evening.
- WHEREAS, Very windy conditions with wind gusts up to 49 miles per hour are expected leading to blowing and drifting snows with the possibility of blizzard like conditions.
- WHEREAS, There will be dangerous wind chills through Saturday with chills 15 to 25 below zero.
- WHEREAS, Models are predicting 8-12 inches of system snow in addition to 6 or more inches of lake effect snow expected to start Saturday.
- WHEREAS, NWS is expected to issue winter weather statements when the event is closer.
- WHEREAS, House of Commons Code § 2-5-6 gives me the sole power and authority to declare a State of Emergency when assistance and/or resources are needed to relieve and/or control a situation that requires abnormal support, resources, and funding.

THEREFORE, BE IT

- Resolved, that a State of Emergency as defined in HCC § 2-5-6 is hereby declared effective at 5:00 PM (CST) on Thursday, December 22, 2022 through 9:00 PM (CST) on Saturday, December 24, 2022 and may be extended should it be warranted.
- Resolved, that I order the Highway Management Agency (HMA) to spend the necessary funds to prepare the roads in the House's jurisdiction and to shovel and treat the road.
- Resolved, that Members are strongly encouraged not to travel outside of the House while a State of Emergency is in effect.

Attest:

**BE IT SO ORDERED.**

