DECLARATION OF DISASTER

A DECLARATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF GEORGETOWN, TEXAS, DECLARING A STATE OF DISASTER IN THE CITY OF GEORGETOWN; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City of Georgetown, Texas, due to severe winter weather conditions, is experiencing the occurrence and imminent threat of widespread and severe damage, injury, and/or loss of life and property resulting from:

WHEREAS, Section 418.004(1) of the *Texas Government Code* defines disaster to be the "the occurrence or imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury, or loss of life or property resulting from any natural or man-made cause, including fire, flood, earthquake, wind, storm, wave action, oil spill or other water contamination, volcanic activity, epidemic, air contamination, blight, drought, infestation, explosion, riot, hostile military or paramilitary action, extreme heat, cybersecurity event, other public calamity requiring emergency action, or energy emergency;" and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of Georgetown has determined, from statements and information provided by City of Georgetown Emergency Management personnel and other emergency services serving the City of Georgetown that extraordinary measures must be taken to alleviate and prevent the suffering of people and to protect or rehabilitate property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE MAYOR OF GEORGETOWN THAT:

SECTION 1. A local state of disaster is hereby declared for the City of Georgetown pursuant to §418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.

<u>SECTION 2.</u> Pursuant to §418.018(b) of the Government Code, the state of disaster shall continue for a period of not more than seven days from the date of this declaration unless continued or renewed by the City Council of Georgetown.

<u>SECTION 3</u>. Pursuant to §418.018(c) of the Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the City Secretary.

SECTION 4. Pursuant to §418.018(d) of the Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster activates the City of Georgetown emergency management plan.

SECTION 5. This proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

ORDERED this 14th day of February, 2021.

Josh Schroeder, Mayor City of Georgetown, Texas