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## **PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, Section 45-17-1, *et seq.*, of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, authorizes the Mayor of a municipality to proclaim the existence of a civil emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, is authorized to declare a State of Emergency and to promulgate such rules, regulations, and orders as he deems necessary to protect life and property; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Weather Service predicted a severe winter storm cell that would impact certain portions of the State of Mississippi directly, beginning on Thursday, May 9, 2024, including excessive rain, wind speeds in excess of 70 miles per hour, hail, and potential tornadoes; and

**WHEREAS**, this storm system has caused widespread power outages, including to the O.B. Curtis Water Treatment Plant, which has resulted in a low water pressure throughout the City and a boil-water alert for all surface water customers;

**WHEREAS**, this storm system has caused damage to homes, businesses, public property, and threatened the safety of the citizens and property of the City of Jackson, Mississippi; and


**WHEREAS**, in consideration of the health, safety, and welfare of the City's residents and the protection of their property within the affected areas, and in the public interest, all efforts should be taken to protect people and property.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Chokwe A. Lumumba, Mayor of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, pursuant to the authority vested in me under Section 45-17-1, *et seq.*, of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, and in the public interest and for the general welfare of the City of Jackson, do hereby proclaim a **STATE OF EMERGENCY** for the City of Jackson, and said emergency shall be reviewed every seven (7) days until such local emergency is no longer in effect and proclaimed terminated by the Mayor of the City of Jackson, State of Mississippi.

**IT IS ORDERED** that the Emergency Operations Center of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, place into effect the City of Jackson's Emergency Management Operations Plan.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that all agencies and departments of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, shall render all possible assistance and discharge their emergency responsibilities and provide full cooperation with this Proclamation.

**WITNESS MY HAND**, on this 10th day of May, 2024, at 10:06 Am.

  
**CHOKWE A. LUMUMBA, MAYOR**  
**CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI**

**ATTEST:**

  
**CITY CLERK**