EMERGENCY OPERATIONS WINTER STORM DISASTER DECLARATION

WHEREAS, on February 12, 2021, Governor Greg Abbott certified that severe winter weather poses an imminent threat of widespread and severe property damage, injury and loss of life due to prolonged freezing temperatures, heavy snow, and freezing rain statewide and declared a state of disaster for the entire state; and

WHEREAS, on February 14, the severe weather (EM 3554) moved into the City of Port Lavaca and could lead to prolonged loss of electrical power, dangerous road surfaces, loss of water pressure, and unsafe infrastructure within the City, threatening the safety and lives of all residents;

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of Port Lavaca has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to alleviate the suffering of people to protect or rehabilitate property;

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Chapter 418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code, the local state-of-disaster prompted by the winter weather emergency is in effect for a period of not more than seven days from the date of February 14, 2021;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF PORT LAVACA:

1. That a State of Disaster is declared for the City of Port Lavaca.

2. That the City’s Emergency Management Plan was implemented.

3. That this state of disaster shall continue for a period of not more than seven days of the date hereof, unless the same is continued by consent of the City Council of Port Lavaca, Texas.

4. That this proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

Ordered this the 16th day of February, 2021.

Jack Whitlow, Mayor