

2026-05

PROCLAMATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, investigations made at my direction have disclosed that a winter storm with heavy snowfall will or has adversely affected a large area of Cooke Township, Cumberland County, Pennsylvania, resulting in potential endangerment to the health and welfare of the residents and harm or damage to public and private facilities, property and services; and

WHEREAS, the emergency situation may be of such magnitude or severity as to render essential the Township's supplementation of municipal efforts and resources and the activation of all applicable municipal emergency response plans;

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to the provisions of Subsection 7501 (b) of the Emergency Management Services Code (35 Pa. C.S.A. Section 7101 et seq), I do hereby proclaim the existence of a disaster emergency in the affected areas of Cooke Township, Cumberland County, and I direct the utilization of all available resources and personnel as is deemed necessary to cope with the magnitude and severity of this emergency situation.

FURTHER, I hereby authorize that the time consuming bid and contract procedures and formalities normally prescribed by law be waived for the duration of the Proclamation, mandatory constitutional requirements excepted.

FURTHER, I direct that emergency response and recovery aspects of the Township and all applicable disaster emergency response plans be activated and that all municipal actions taken to implement those plans be coordinated through the Cooke Township Emergency Management Agency; and

STILL FURTHER, I direct the executive officers of all Cooke Township agencies and departments affected by this emergency to act as necessary to meet the current exigencies as legally authorized under this proclamation, namely; by the employment of temporary workers; by the rental of equipment and by entering into such contracts and agreements as may be required to meet the emergency, all without regard to those time-consuming procedures and formalities prescribed by law, mandatory constitutional requirements excepted.

GIVEN under my hand and
the Seal of Cooke Township
this 25 th day of January
in the year of our Lord,
two thousand and twenty six,

Janet E. Frost
Secretary

Patricia Sangialosi
Patricia Sangialosi Chairman,
Board of Supervisors

Deane Gatt
Supervisor

Margaret N. Schmidt
Supervisor