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County Executive

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 69

PROCLAMATION OF CIVIL EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on January 23, 2026, the National Weather Service issued a winter storm warning for Anne Arundel County from 11:00 p.m. Saturday, January 24, 2026 through 4:00 a.m. Monday, January 26, 2026, predicting heavy mixed precipitation with snow, sleet and ice accumulations between 7 and 14 inches; and

WHEREAS, the projected weather conditions represent an imminent threat to the lives, property, and safety of the residents of Anne Arundel County, including hazardous travel conditions, potential for widespread power outages, and disruption of essential utility services; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to take proactive measures to protect the public health and safety, coordinate the delivery of emergency services, and ensure the rapid restoration of infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive is authorized under Article 1, Title 6, of the Anne Arundel County Code, and Title 14 of the *Public Safety* Article of the Code of Maryland, to declare a civil emergency, activating the emergency powers of the County Executive to protect the health and safety of Anne Arundel County residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Steuart Pittman, County Executive, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Charter and laws of Anne Arundel County, Maryland, and §§ 1-6-101 *et. seq.* of the Anne Arundel County Code, do hereby proclaim and order on this 24th day of January, 2026:

1. That pursuant to § 1-6-102 of the County Code, a civil emergency is hereby declared for Anne Arundel County, effective immediately, due to the projected impact of the January 24 - 26, 2026 winter storm.
2. All emergency powers of the County Executive under Article 1, Title 6 of the Anne Arundel County Code are hereby activated.
3. The County's Emergency Operations Plan, Continuity of Operations Plan, and any associated emergency response or recovery plan, are hereby activated, and the Director of the Office of Emergency Management is authorized to coordinate the response and recovery efforts among all

local agencies. All departments shall prioritize the deployment of personnel and equipment for snow removal, debris clearance, emergency medical response, and any recovery operations.

4. Residents are strongly urged to remain off the roads to allow for the safe operation of snow plows and emergency vehicles.

5. This civil emergency shall extend for a period of seven days from the date hereof, unless terminated earlier by a subsequent Executive Order or extended by ordinance of the County Council.

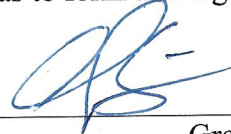
6. The Public Information Officer shall immediately disseminate notice of this Executive Order to the appropriate news media and to the general public.

This Executive Order shall be archived at the Office of Law and remain in existence until altered or terminated by a subsequent Executive Order.



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Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:



Gregory J. Swain
County Attorney