

PROCLAMATION 01-2022

**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR OF LEAVENWORTH, WASHINGTON
EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) Chapter 38.52 authorizes the Mayor to exercise emergency powers; and

WHEREAS, the health, safety, and welfare of City residents, businesses, visitors, and staff is of utmost importance to the City and additional future measures may be needed to protect the community; and

WHEREAS, the City may require additional assistance in the future, and a formal declaration of emergency allows additional resources to flow to the City in a timely fashion; and

WHEREAS, RCW 36.40.180, RCW 38.52.070(2), and RCW 39.04.280(3), authorize the waiver of the requirements of competitive bidding and public notice with reference to any contract relating to the City's lease or purchase of supplies, equipment, personal services, or public works as defined by RCW 39.04.010, or to any contract for the selection and award of professional and/or technical consultant contracts in emergency situations; and

WHEREAS, there is an emergency present which necessitates the utilization of emergency powers granted pursuant to chapter 38.52 RCW, and other relevant provisions of state and federal law; and

WHEREAS, during the evening of January 5, 2022 and the morning of January 6, 2022; Chelan County experienced a winter storm bringing record breaking amounts of snow throughout the county; and

WHEREAS, as of 0600 on January 6, 2022, SR2 from Milepost 99 to the Summit of Stevens Pass, SR97 from Milepost 177 to the summit of Blewett Pass, and SR97A from Navarre Coulee Road to South Lakeshore Road are closed indefinitely due to avalanche danger and obstructed roadways. Chelan County roads impacted are Mission Creek Road from Milepost 4, Mills Canyon Road from Milepost .3, and Entiat River Road from Milepost 11 are all inaccessible. Many other roads throughout the county have hazardous conditions.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT DECLARED BY MAYOR CARL J. FLOREA FOR THE CITY OF LEAVENWORTH:

SECTION 1

It is hereby declared under RCW 38.52.020(1)(b) that a State of Emergency exists in the City of Leavenworth, as a result of the aforementioned conditions, which significantly impacts the life and health of our residents, the economy of the City of Leavenworth, and is a disaster that affects life, health, property, or the public peace.

SECTION 2

I hereby direct designated City departments under this proclamation and those designated within the City of Leavenworth's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan to take actions deemed necessary to otherwise mitigate and prevent impacts and potential impacts upon private property and publicly owned infrastructure, including any necessary actions needed to obtain emergency permitting through municipal, county, state, or federal agencies.

SECTION 3

In order to prepare for, prevent and respond to this emergency, pursuant to RCW 36.40.180, RCW 38.52.070(2), and RCW 39.04.280(3), the requirements of competitive bidding and public notice are hereby waived with reference to any contract relating to the City's lease or purchase of supplies, equipment, personal services or public works as defined by RCW 39.04.010, or to any contract for the selection and award of professional and/or technical consultant contracts. Each designated department is hereby authorized to exercise the powers vested in this proclamation in light of the demands of a dangerous and escalating emergency situation without regard to time consuming procedures and formalities otherwise normally prescribed by law (excepting mandatory constitutional requirements).

SECTION 4

A copy of this declaration, the extent practicable, shall be posted at the City's regular locations for official notices and shall be made available to members of the local news media and the general public.

DATED this 7th day of January, 2022

MAYOR OF THE CITY OF LEAVENWORTH



Carl J. Florea, Mayor