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Disaster Declaration

Whereas, commencing on December 21, 2019, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough sustained severe threats to life and property from ice jam flooding in the Willow Creek area; and

Whereas, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough is a political subdivision within the State of Alaska; and

Whereas, the following additional conditions exist as a result of the disaster emergency: disruption of intrastate transportation; access to residential homes and businesses; property damage and loss; and environmental impacts due to flooding; and

Whereas, the severity and magnitude of the flooding emergency is beyond the timely and effective response capability of the local resources, and has hampered ability to obtain and maintain situational awareness related to damages; and

Therefore, be it resolved that the Borough Mayor and Borough Manager of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough declare a Local Disaster Emergency per AS 26.23.140 to exist in the Matanuska-Susitna Borough, effective December 23, 2019 at 12:00pm.

Furthermore, it is requested that the Governor declare a Disaster Emergency to exist, as described in AS 26.23.020, and provide State Assistance to the Matanuska-Susitna Borough in the form of public assistance, individual assistance and other emergency resources to help the Borough in its response and recovery from this event.

Further, the undersigned certify that the Matanuska-Susitna Borough will expend its local resources as a result of this disaster emergency.

Signed the 23rd day of December, 2019

Vern Halter, Mayor

John Moosey, Borough Manager