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PROCLAMATION NO. 2023 – 02

DECLARATION OF AN EMERGENCY DUE TO SEVERE WEATHER EVENTS

WHEREAS, Elko County is a political subdivision of the State of Nevada; and

WHEREAS, beginning in November 2022, and according to current forecasts, the unforeseen atmospheric river conditions will continue to cause a series of storms to impact much of Northern Nevada, including Elko County; and

WHEREAS, on or around March 9, 2023, Elko County experienced flooding in various areas which caused significant damage to roads and infrastructure throughout the county; and

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2023, the Governor issued a Declaration of Emergency pursuant to Nevada Revised Statute 414.070 in response to the effects of the severe weather system that began on March 9, 2023; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2023, the Declaration of Emergency was amended to include additional jurisdictions, including Elko County; and

WHEREAS, the series of heavy, continuous winter storms and unsettled weather conditions have compounded to create a historically large snowpack; and

WHEREAS, the severe weather system has impacted the health, safety and welfare of residents and livestock, damaged roadways, threatens to damage other infrastructure in the affected areas, and damage which is yet to be determined in the most remote areas of the county; and

WHEREAS, as a result, Elko County resources have been and now are stretched to their limits, and assistance to respond to the emergency may be necessary with anticipated continued atmospheric river activity; and

WHEREAS, the State of Nevada and the United States government have manpower and resources which may be available to Elko County and its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, the Elko County Board of Commissioners, under and by virtue of the authority vested in them by Chapters 244 and 414 of the Nevada Revised Statutes and Elko County Code Title 11 Chapter 3, do hereby declare that a state of emergency exists within the County of Elko and all local resources were used to respond to, recover from, and mitigate the effects of the emergency caused by the storm events.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 21st day of March 2023.

Rex Steninger, Chair

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