



Declaration of Local Disaster and Public Health Emergency Related to Winter Storm 2021

WHEREAS, the winter storm continues to pose significant health and safety risks to the residents of the City of Gladewater and has been declared a State Emergency; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Gladewater is a Home Rule Municipality situated in both Upshur and Gregg Counties and any action taken by the City applies to all citizens of the City; and

WHEREAS, on February 12, 2021, the Governor of the State of Texas Issued a proclamation certifying that severe winter weather poses an imminent threat of widespread and severe property damage, injury, and loss of life due to prolonged freezing temperatures, heavy snow, and freezing rain statewide; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gladewater, Texas, is taking all available measures to mitigate the effects of this historical winter event on our community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gladewater will adhere to the emergency management directives set in place by Gregg County; and

WHEREAS, said state of disaster requires that certain emergency protective measures be taken pursuant to the Texas Disaster Act of 1975 relating to Emergency Management and Public Health, pursuant to Chapter 418 of the Texas Government Code.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF GLADEWATER, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That a local state of disaster for public health emergency is hereby declared for the City of Gladewater, Texas, pursuant to Section 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.

SECTION 2. That pursuant to Section 418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code the state of disaster for public health emergency shall continue for a period of not more than seven (7) days from the date of this declaration, unless continued or renewed by the City Council of the City of Gladewater, Texas.

SECTION 3. That pursuant to Section 418.108(c) of the Texas Government Code this declaration of local state of disaster for public health emergency shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the City Clerk.

SECTION 4. That this declaration shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

DECLARED this 18th day of February 2021.



**J.D. SHIFF, MAYOR
GLADEWATER, TEXAS**

ATTEST:



**JUDY VAN HOUTEN, CITY CLERK
GLADEWATER, TEXAS**