



OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

PROCLAMATION No. 3 CLS 2021

STATE OF EMERGENCY - POTENTIAL RAIN, FLOODING AND WINTRY WEATHER

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act, La. R.S. 29:721 *et seq.*, confers upon the President of the Parish of Jefferson powers to deal with emergencies and disasters, including those caused by fire, flood, earthquake or other natural or manmade causes, in order to ensure that the preparations of this parish will be adequate to respond to such emergencies or disasters and to preserve the lives and property of the people of the Parish of Jefferson; and

WHEREAS, La. R.S. 29:727(D) empowers the President of the Parish of Jefferson to declare a local disaster or emergency, which shall continue until the President finds that the threat of danger has been dealt with to the extent that emergency conditions no longer exist; and

WHEREAS, the National Weather Service has indicated the potential for heavy rains and wintry precipitation with impacts across Jefferson Parish from Saturday, February 13, 2021 and for several days thereafter; and

WHEREAS, there is a potential for localized heavy rainfall and flooding across portions of Jefferson Parish, and it is anticipated that much colder air will then move into the Parish bringing the possibility of a hard freeze and a more significant round of winter precipitation; and

WHEREAS, the Parish of Jefferson could potentially experience severe damage which threatens the safety, health, and security of the citizens of the Parish, along with damage to private property and public facilities; and

WHEREAS, Governor Edwards issued Proclamation No. 20 JBE 2021 on February 11, 2021, stating among other things that many parishes across the state are poised to take protective measures to help mitigate for the potential heavy rains, flooding and wintry weather that could cause damage to persons and property, as well as prepare additional evacuation and sheltering measures that may be required during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, to timely and effectively meet the dangers presented by the emergency, it is necessary to immediately effectuate measures to detect, prevent, prepare for, investigate, respond to, or recover from the emergency, and generally to preserve the lives and property of the people of the Parish of Jefferson.

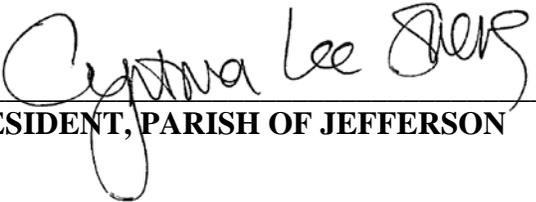
NOW THEREFORE, I, CYNTHIA LEE SHENG, President of the Parish of Jefferson, by virtue of the authority vested by the laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: Pursuant to the Louisiana Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act, La. R.S. 29:721 *et seq.*, a state of emergency is hereby declared to exist within and throughout the Parish of Jefferson including coastal areas and extending as far as may be impacted by the heavy rains, flooding and wintry weather, which present an imminent threat of

emergency conditions that threaten the lives and property of the citizens of this Parish.

SECTION 2: This order shall be effective upon signature and shall remain in effect from Sunday, February 14, 2021 to Friday, March 12, 2021, unless terminated sooner.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially on this 14th day of February 2021 at 4:15pm.



PRESIDENT, PARISH OF JEFFERSON