

**CITY OF BELLEVUE
PROCLAMATION OF CIVIL EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, on November 19, 2024, the City of Bellevue and surrounding areas experienced a severe winter storm with heavy winds and rain, described by meteorologists as a “bomb cyclone”; and

WHEREAS, the weather event has caused widespread and extended power outages, communications disruptions including internet and cellular outages, public and private sector damage, localized flooding, and other infrastructure failures; and

WHEREAS, additional storms, including another potential “bomb cyclone” are currently being forecast; and

WHEREAS, these conditions present a threat to public health, welfare and safety and to the proper performance of essential governmental and private functions; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bellevue believes that the current conditions and the potential for additional weather events constitute a civil emergency as defined by Bellevue city Code 9.22.010 and necessitates the utilization of emergency powers granted under RCW 38.52.070; and

WHEREAS, in the judgment of the undersigned, extraordinary measures are required to protect the public health, safety and welfare of Bellevue residents and may go beyond the capability of local resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, the undersigned Mayor of the City of Bellevue, Washington does declare a civil emergency exists with the City of Bellevue.

Dated this 21st day of November 2024.



Lynne Robinson
Mayor of the City of Bellevue