



## Legislation Text

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Affirming the Declaration of Local Emergency issued April 4, 2023, by Mayor Melvin Carter III.

WHEREAS, the City of Saint Paul, located within Ramsey County, Minnesota, has received rapid snowmelt, combined with heavy rains and warmer temperatures, that is expected to cause major flooding in the City of Saint Paul beginning April 4, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the 2023 spring flood event has the potential to cause a significant amount of public and private property damage; and

WHEREAS, the National Weather Service forecasts the Mississippi River in Saint Paul to enter major flood stage shortly as a direct result of the ongoing snowmelt and flooding; and

WHEREAS, the 2023 spring flood event has placed the population of Saint Paul at risk and threatened critical infrastructure and essential City services, and river flooding will exacerbate these impacts; and

WHEREAS, while the resources of the City's protective measures for our residents and infrastructure are fully committed, the necessary resources to respond to and recover from this disaster exceed those resources available within the City, and additional resources will be needed from Ramsey County and state and federal sources; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of Saint Paul, Melvin Carter, has declared a local emergency effective Tuesday, April 4, 2023, due to escalating conditions and in response to a flood warning for the City of Saint Paul issued by the National Weather Service, and

WHEREAS, the Mayor requests the City Council of City of Saint Paul to affirm and extend the April 4, 2023, Declaration of Emergency for the City of Saint Paul for the 2023 spring flood event.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of City of Saint Paul affirms the Declaration of Local Emergency issued April 4, 2023, by the Mayor of Saint Paul, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City council finds that a local emergency does continue to exist in the City of Saint Paul as a result of the 2023 spring flood event and extends the Declaration of Emergency for a period not to exceed 30 days from the date of passage, April 4, 2023.