



**PRESS RELEASE
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January 23, 2026

STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARED

In preparation for the impact of the severe storm, Mayor Jim Willis Declared a State of Emergency within the City of Laurinburg. This declaration is in effect as of 12:00 pm on January 23, 2026, and shall remain in effect until modified or rescinded. There are currently no restrictions imposed by the declaration; however, if necessary, the declaration can be modified.

All residents are strongly urged to be preparing for this weather event if they have not already begun preparations. The following websites/Facebook pages provide information for emergency preparedness and for staying abreast of conditions in addition to local news outlets:

- Facebook page: NC Emergency Management; website: www.ncdps.gov/ncem
- Facebook page: American Red Cross-Eastern North Carolina; website: www.redcross.org/local/north-carolina/eastern-north-carolina.html

In the event of power or water/sewer outages for City customers, please call Public Works at 910-276-2364, or after normal working hours, please call 291-1999.