



# ALDERPERSON AGENDA ITEM MEMO

To: **Government Affairs Committee**

From: Ald. Joel Tilleson, chairperson

Date: January 26, 2024

Subject: Proclamation recognizing the January 2024 severe weather emergency response

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## **A. Background/Rationale**

Resolutions are a legislative body's standard method for expressing their formal position. However, when unusual circumstances justify special recognition, the Council may issue a Proclamation detailing exemplary actions or celebrating occasions.

The Milwaukee area experienced a severe storm on January 12-13, resulting in widespread damage. Despite the challenges, the City of Wauwatosa's employees worked tirelessly to maintain public safety and keep the channels of commerce open. The city did not record any serious injuries or fatalities during this challenging time, thanks in large part to the efforts of its dedicated employees.

Given the extraordinary response of our Public Works, Police, and Fire departments, a Proclamation is justified to recognize the teams that rose to and met the unique challenges that befell the city.

## **B. Key Issues for Consideration**

Review of the DRAFT Proclamation and approval of the language.

## **C. Fiscal Impact**

Nominal. The Council is asked to approve three copies of the Proclamation to present to the Director of Public Works, Police Chief, and Fire Chief for display in their respective departments.

## **D. Requested Action**

1. Approval of the draft Proclamation.
2. Direction to the City Clerk to circulate three copies of the Proclamation for signatures at the February 6, 2024 Council meeting.
3. Direction to present copies of the Proclamation to the Director of Public Works, Police Chief, and Fire Chief for display in their respective departments.

## **E. Attachments**

Draft Proclamation.