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COUNTY EXECUTIVE



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**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2 OF 2026**  
**DECLARATION OF A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY**  
**JANUARY 23, 2026**

**WHEREAS**, an impending winter storm and its effects are reasonably anticipated to create conditions whereby the public safety is imperiled within the territorial limits of Dutchess County, and

**WHEREAS**, since the winter storm and consequential conditions will render travel dangerous and snow removal significantly difficult, it is in the best interests of the citizens of Dutchess County that a Local State of Emergency be declared, and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to ensure public safety and the orderly transportation of people and goods in the County of Dutchess, and

**WHEREAS**, the weather is reasonably anticipated to pose imminent peril to the public health and safety requiring the adoption of special rules, regulations, procedures and restrictions as emergency measures, and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the powers vested in me as County Executive by Article III of the Dutchess County Charter, Section 3.05(d) of the Administrative Code and pursuant to the provisions contained in New York Executive Law §24, which authorizes the Chief Executive to promulgate Local Emergency Orders upon a finding that the public safety is imperiled by the event of a public emergency or in the event of reasonable apprehension of immediate danger thereof,

**NOW THEREFORE**, by the power vested in me as Chief Executive of Dutchess County, it is hereby ordered:

SECTION 1. LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY.

A Local State of Emergency is hereby declared to exist within the County of Dutchess and shall remain in effect until rescinded.


SECTION 2. PUNISHMENT.

In accordance with Executive Law Section 24, any person who knowingly violates the provisions of this order shall be guilty of a Class B Misdemeanor.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Dated: this 23th day of January, 2026  
Poughkeepsie, New York

  
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