



LOCAL EMERGENCY STATEMENT

CANTON DE WENTWORTH

WHEREAS section 42 of the Civil Protection Act (RSQ, c S-2.3) provides that a local municipality may declare a state of emergency in all or part of its territory when a major disaster, real or imminent requires, in order to protect the life, health or integrity of persons, immediate action that it considers not to be able to adequately perform within the framework of its usual operating rules or as part of a civil security plan applicable;

WHEREAS section 43 of the Act provides that if the council cannot meet in due time, the mayor or, in the event of absence or inability to act, the acting mayor may declare a state of emergency for a period maximum of 48 hours;

WHEREAS council cannot meet in time;

WHEREAS the closure for an indefinite time of the bridge on Lac Louisa Road in Wentworth-North due to the high water level of the West River;

WHEREAS the request from the Municipality of Wentworth-North to have a bypass for residents of the area;

WHEREAS I believe that the municipality cannot properly carry out, within the framework of its usual operating rules or as part of a civil security plan, the required actions;

The undersigned, as mayor of the municipality, hereby decides:

- To declare a state of emergency on the part of the territory (described in the appendix) for a period of 48 hours due to the complete closure of the bridge on Lac Louisa Road, the only access for residents of the area;
- To designate the mayor, Jason Morrison, to be authorized to exercise the following powers:
 - (1) control access to the traffic lanes or the territory concerned or subject them to specific rules;
 - (2) to grant, for the time it deems necessary for the rapid and effective execution of the intervention measures, authorizations or derogations in areas falling within the jurisdiction of the municipality;
 - (3) where there is no safe alternative, order the evacuation of the inhabitants of all or part of the territory concerned or, on the advice of public health authorities, order their confinement and, where no other resources are available, make arrangements for adequate shelter facilities, the provision of food and clothing and the maintenance of security;
 - (4) require the assistance of any citizen capable of assisting the personnel deployed;

- (5) requisition rescue services and private shelter facilities within its territory other than the services and shelter facilities requisitioned for the implementation of an emergency preparedness plan adopted under this chapter or a civil protection plan adopted under Chapter VI;
- (6) make expenses and conclude the contracts that are deemed necessary.

Signed in Wentworth, April 28th, at 10 :00AM.

Jason Morrison
Maire, Canton de Wentworth