## DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY CONDITIONS City of Cullman

WHEREAS, in accordance with State Law, the City of Cullman may authorize and empower designated public officials to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when the City of Cullman (the "City") is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity beginning on or about Monday, March 19, 2018; and,

WHEREAS, the leadership of the City of Cullman has been requested by the Director of the Cullman County Emergency Management Agency to proclaim the existence of a local emergency therein; and,

WHEREAS, the undersigned officials of the City of Cullman do hereby find:

Those conditions of extreme peril to be the safety of persons and property have arisen within said county, caused by an emergency involving widespread damages as a result of the hailstorm, severe thunderstorms, and possible tornadoes of March 19, 2018; and,

That the aforesaid conditions of extreme peril warrant and necessitate the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED that a local emergency now exists throughout Cullman County; and

WHEREAS, the situation does create an emergency conditions in the City of Cullman and Cullman County within the intent of the Alabama Emergency Management Act of 1955, as amended; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Cullman has been requested by the Director of the Cullman County Emergency Management Agency to implement its emergency powers as set out in Code of Alabama 1975, § 31-9-10.

**NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED** that emergency conditions exist throughout Cullman County warranting the exercise of emergency powers as provided by law and the activation of the Cullman County Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) and all appropriate annexes. In addition, the appropriate county agencies are directed to exercise their statutory authority to assist the communities and entities affected.

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of said local emergency conditions the powers, functions, and duties of the Director of the Cullman County Emergency Management Agency and the emergency organizations of this County shall be those prescribed by state law, and the ordinances and resolutions of this municipality and those approved by the Cullman County Commission on February 27, 1984.

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of the local emergency conditions all procedures and formalities described in Ala. Code § 31-9-10(b)(5) are hereby waived.

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of the local emergency conditions and without limiting any other manner or method by which a person or entity may be deemed an "emergency management worker", all persons or entities tasked pursuant to, or at the request of, the Cullman County Emergency Management Agency ("EMA") by or through its Emergency Management Information Tracking System ("EMITS") or subject to the order or control of any agency, department, board, commission, bureau, committee, institution, corporation, authority, or office tasked by EMA by or through EMITS shall be deemed an "emergency management worker" for purposes of Ala. Code Section 31-9-16.

**Date:** March 20, 2018

By:

Woody Jacobs

Mayor

ATTEST:

Leanne H. West

Administrative Assistant to the Mayor