RESOLUTION NO. 981 CITY OF LACEY

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LACEY, WASHINGTON DECLARING AN EMERGENCY RELATED TO EXTENSIVE DAMAGE CAUSED BY THE SNOW AND ICE STORM OF JANUARY 2012.

WHEREAS, the Lacey City Manager has reported to the Lacey City Council that the January 2012 winter storm, which resulted in unusual weather conditions consisting of persistent heavy snow, ice, and rain, has caused an emergency by creating extensive power outages, damaged structures, disruption to utility and transportation, fallen debris, and flooding in parts of the City of Lacey; and

WHEREAS, a massive snow and ice storm throughout Western Washington, including Thurston County and the City of Lacey has caused wide spread power outages that are expected to last several days to weeks and result in subsequent damages. Additionally, fallen trees and debris have disrupted utilities and transportation, caused possible damage to City roads, damaged homes, businesses, and farms; and

WHEREAS, due to heavy snow, ice, and rain conditions there is substantial likelihood of risk to persons, property and the environment unless further efforts are taken to reduce the threat; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lacey's declaration of a local emergency will allow the City of Lacey to undertake emergency purchases and emergency public works pursuant to RCW 36.32.270 and RCW 39.04.020 when such purchases or public works require immediate action occasioned by snow, ice and rain storm damages, flooding, landslide or erosion conditions; and

WHEREAS, the conditions stated above constitute an emergency/disaster for the City of Lacey, necessitating activation of the City of Lacey Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan and the utilization of emergency powers granted pursuant to RCW 36.40.180, 38.52.070(2), and 38.52.110(1); and LMC 6.01(Ordinance No. 1103).

NOW THEREFORE, the Lacey City Council declares as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby declared an emergency, as defined in the City of Lacey Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (PLAN), due to the extreme weather in the City of Lacey. This resolution affirms the emergency declaration of the Mayor made on January 20, 2012.

Section 2. Pursuant to the emergency declared at Section 1, City departments and offices, as designated pursuant to the PLAN, are authorized to enter into contracts and incur obligations necessary to combat such emergency to protect the health and safety

of persons, property, and the environment, and provide emergency assistance to the victims of such emergency, consistent with the PLAN.

Section 3. The emergency declared at Section 1 shall self-terminate thirty (30) days from the date of adoption unless earlier terminated or extended by further resolution of the City Council.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LACEY, WASHINGTON, JANUARY 26, 2012.

LACEY CITY COUNCIL

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Attest:

Approved as to form:

City Clerk

City Attorney