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## COUNTY EXECUTIVE ISSUES DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Extreme weather conditions forecasted for Racine County

Racine – Racine County Executive Jonathan Delagrave has issued a declaration of emergency due to extreme weather conditions forecasted this week for Racine County, including a Winter Storm Warning beginning Sunday evening, January 27, 2019.

The National Weather Service on Sunday morning indicated the storm could bring 6"-14" of snow and 25 mph to 30 mph wind gusts that could cause blowing and drifting of snow. In addition, the National Weather Service forecasted subzero temperatures and dangerously low wind chill values Tuesday through Friday.

"The safety of Racine County residents is our top priority, and heavy snowfall, wind and below zero temperatures could create hazardous conditions in much of our county," Delagrave said. "We continue to closely monitor the situation and are sharing information and coordinating with communities to keep everyone as safe as possible."

An emergency declaration positions Racine County to ask for state and federal assistance, if the situation warrants. In addition, the County Executive has the authority to make county personnel and resources available.