Ramsey County Local State Emergency Declaration

July 31, 2025

WHEREAS, on July 29, 2025, Mayor Carter of the City of Saint Paul, declared a state of emergency in response to a digital security incident disrupting the City of Saint Paul's internal systems and some city services ("Incident"); and

WHEREAS, Subject Matter Experts have determined that significant protective measures must be undertaken to reduce the impact of the Incident and significant activity will be beyond the usual resources of Ramsey County; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes Chapter 12.29 authorizes the Chair of the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners to sign a Declaration of Local State of Emergency in Ramsey County valid for up to 72 hours after which an open meeting of the Board of County Commissioners will be required to continue this Declaration; and

WHEREAS, the Ramsey County Director of Emergency Management and Homeland Security and the County Manager recommends that the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners declare that a Local State of Emergency exists in Ramsey County;

Now, Therefore, Be It RESOLVED, I Rafael E. Ortega, as Chair of the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners, declare Ramsey County to be in a Local State of Emergency effective 11:00 a.m. August 2, 2025 due to the ongoing and expected response to and recovery from the Incident and direct the County Manager and the Director of Emergency Management and Homeland Security to coordinate such actions and request such state and/or federal assistance as needed to protect lives and public and private property in Ramsey County and the recovery of the County from the impacts of this Incident to the extent practicable and allowed by law, ordinance, and Charter; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that I direct the County Manager and Director of Emergency Management to ensure a formal Request for Board Action be put forward to an open meeting of the Board of Commissioners as required by law.

Signed this 29 day of July

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Ramsey County Board of Commissioners