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Memorandum

To: Livingston County Board of Commissioners

From: Therese Cremonte, Emergency Manager

Date: 1/10/2023

Re: Livingston County Participation in the Statewide Tornado Drill

on March 22, 2023

This resolution is to request the support of the Livingston County Board of Commissioners for Livingston County offices and personnel to participate in the Michigan Statewide Tornado Drill on Wednesday, March 22, 2023, at 1:00 PM.

This exercise has been annually since April of 2016, the only exception being March of 2020 when it was cancelled due to COVID 19. During this life safety drill, we continue to emphasize communications and warning along with protective sheltering. Weather permitting, there will be a tornado siren test and an initial warning from the Livingston County Public Alerting System (LCPAS) going out to the public and to the county buildings for this drill event. After approximately 20 minutes, an "all clear" message will be sent out on the LCPAS.

It is requested that county offices that are able to participate take the twenty minutes to review safety procedures and sheltering options in their facilities in the event of severe weather or tornado. It is also recommended that they include the public visiting their office at the time of the drill if the public would like to be included. Participation is voluntary. The Board of Commissioners is being requested to support the tornado / severe weather drill so that if county offices have the ability to perform the drill, they may.

This drill has been a success for Livingston County in the past. It is a proactive effort to support preparation and planning for the community and the safety of our employees and guests. This drill is designed to make our citizens and employees more resilient during severe weather or a tornado emergency by practicing and discussing communication, and emergency sheltering capabilities.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 517-540-7926 or thermonte@livgov.com