

Office of Mayor Karen W. Weaver, Ph.D.  
City of Flint, Michigan, County of Genesee

**Declaration of State of Emergency**

**Authority Emergency Management Act: Michigan Emergency Management Act 390 of 1976**

**BY THE MAYOR:**

Whereas; in accordance with the Michigan Emergency Management Act, I am declaring a State of Emergency for the incorporated boundaries of the City of Flint, Michigan; and

Whereas; the City of Flint has experienced a Manmade disaster by switching to the use of the Flint River before connecting to KWA; and

Whereas; the City of Flint children have experienced increased blood lead levels since the switch to the Flint River; and

Whereas; this damage to children is irreversible and can cause effects to a child's IQ, which will result in learning disabilities and the need for special education and mental health services and an increase in the juvenile justice system; and

Whereas; this will increase the need for foster and adoptive parents as a result of social services needed due to the detrimental effects of the high blood lead levels; and

Whereas; I am requesting that all things be done necessary to address this State of Emergency Declaration, effective immediately; and

Whereas; this action is being taken to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Flint; and

Whereas; I request that the Genesee County Board of Commissioners call a Special Meeting no later than the end of December 2015 to take action supporting this State of Emergency; and

Now, Therefore, I, Mayor Karen W. Weaver declare a State of Emergency in the City of Flint, effective, December 14, 2015;

  
**Dr. Karen W. Weaver, Mayor**