DINOLFO RESCINDS TRAVEL ADVISORY AT 5AM AND DEACTIVATES COUNTY’S EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER
American Red Cross Closes MCC Shelter, Gantt Center Open

On Thursday, March 16, Monroe County Executive Cheryl Dinolfo will rescind the ‘No Unnecessary Travel Advisory’ at 5 a.m. and deactivate Monroe County’s Emergency Operations Center (EOC) which has been operational since the beginning of the wind storm one week ago.

“Now that the winter storm is on its way out, I will rescind the ‘No Unnecessary Travel Advisory’ as of 5 a.m. Thursday morning,” said Dinolfo. “However, the advisory will remain in place throughout the night to allow snowplow operators the opportunity to prepare the roads for Thursday morning’s commute.”

Last week, as the wind storm began, Dinolfo activated the EOC to provide a coordinated response to emergency needs, power outages and the need for shelter. The American Red Cross has closed one of the remaining temporary shelters at Monroe Community College. The David F. Gantt Recreation Center shelter remains open. Continuing shelter needs will be coordinated by the American Red Cross and Monroe County Department of Human Services. Now that the winter storm is waning, the EOC will be deactivated.

“I'm grateful to law enforcement, fire, emergency medical service agencies, utility line workers and the countless volunteers for helping our community recover,” said Dinolfo.

The County Executive also expressed her gratitude to the community for their support during the last week.

“Because of the great cooperation of residents and our municipal partners over the past week, we were able to proceed with recovery operations without interruption,” said Dinolfo. “This series of storms have tested us and we have shown ourselves to be a community that is not only resilient in the face of challenges but also generous to our neighbors in need.”

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