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PRESS RELEASE: Ed Westfall Arena Temporarily Closed

Supervisor Jerry Halpin announced today that the Ed Westfall Arena, located at Veterans Memorial Park, in Calverton, has been temporarily closed by order of the Fire Marshal due to possible impacts from the snow event this past weekend.

Yesterday, January 26, 2026, at approximately 3:30pm, the Riverhead Fire Marshal's office was made aware of a possible unsafe structure at the Ed Westfall Arena, due to the large accumulation of snow on the structure. After review of the site, the Fire Marshal ordered the evacuation of the building until further notice. Today, at 11:00am, representatives from the Fire Marshal, Building Department and Engineering Departments accessed the building and after further review, placed 'unsafe structure' placards and ordered they remain in effect until a licensed engineer with subject matter expertise can review the dome and attest to the structural integrity of the structure.

Supervisor Halpin said: "I want to thank the Riverhead Fire Marshal's office for their prompt and professional response. This is our first major snow event since taking possession of the Ed Westfall Arena and we hope to have the building back up and running very soon, so residents and visitors to Veteran's Park can get back to skating activities during the winter months".