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SECRETARY OF STATE

WHEREAS, I have been advised by the State Director, Emergency Management Agency, Office of the Adjutant General, that a natural disaster of major proportions has occurred throughout the State of Missouri; and

WHEREAS, injury to persons and damage to and loss of property is statewide as the result of tornadoes, high winds, torrential rain and heavy surface water from September 19, 1986 to the present; and

WHEREAS, protection of the safety and welfare of the people of Missouri requires an invocation of the provisions of Section 44.100, RSMo 1978.

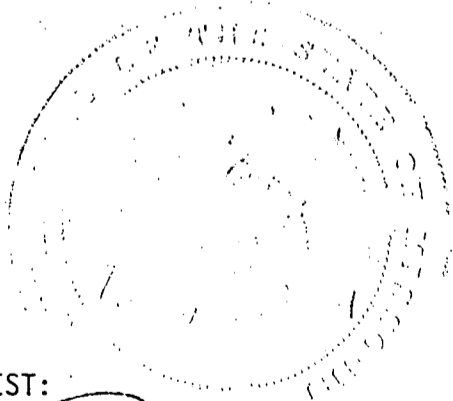
NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN ASHCROFT, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Section 44.100, RSMo 1978, do hereby declare that a state of emergency exists in the State of Missouri. Each jurisdiction officially requesting assistance is hereby declared to be a disaster area, and I do hereby direct that the approved Missouri Comprehensive Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Relief Plan be activated. I further authorize the use of such agencies, personnel and equipment of the State as may be necessary for the preservation of life and property, and the restoration of public facilities in those counties.

Furthermore, I do specifically authorize and order the Adjutant General, the Director of the Department of Natural Resources, the State Highway Commission and Missouri Conservation Commission and the Department of Public Safety or their designees to utilize personnel and equipment of their respective agencies in support of local government as may be deemed appropriate under the circumstances during the period in which this order is effective.

This order shall terminate on December 19, 1986, unless extended in whole or in part.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 4th day of October, 1986.

*John Ashcroft*  
GOVERNOR



ATTEST:

*Roy Blunt*  
SECRETARY OF STATE