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EXECUTIVE ORDER
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Robin Carnahan
SECRETARY OF STATE
COMMISSION DIVISION

WHEREAS, I have been advised by the Director of the State Emergency Management Agency that a severe storm system causing damages associated with high winds and torrential rain has impacted communities in the east central part of the State of Missouri, including but not limited to, St. Louis County and the City of St. Louis; and

WHEREAS, there have been reports of approximately 30 injuries as a result of this storm system; and

WHEREAS, the severe storm that began on July 19, 2006 has caused the loss of power to approximately 500,000 residents in the impacted areas, and has created a hazard to the safety, welfare, and property of the citizens of the State of Missouri beyond the capabilities of some local and other established agencies; and

WHEREAS, the heat index is expected to exceed 110 degrees; and

WHEREAS, the resources of the State of Missouri may be needed to assist affected jurisdictions and to help relieve the hazard to the safety and welfare of our fellow Missourians; and

WHEREAS, protection of the safety and welfare of the citizens of the State requires an invocation of the provisions of Section 41.480.2 RSMo.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MATT BLUNT, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Missouri, including Section 41.480.2 RSMo, order and direct the Adjutant General of the State of Missouri, or his designee, to forthwith call and order into active service such portions of the organized militia as he deems necessary to aid the executive officials of Missouri, to protect life and property, and it is further ordered and directed that the Adjutant General or his designee, and through him, the commanding officer of any unit or other organization of such organized militia so called into active service take such action and employ such equipment as may be necessary in support of civilian authorities, and provide such assistance as may be authorized and directed by the Governor of this State.

This order shall terminate on August 19, 2006, unless extended in whole or in part.

IN WITNESS 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 on this 20th day of July 2006.



ATTEST:

Matt Blunt

Matt Blunt
Governor

Robin Carnahan

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Secretary of State