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## EXECUTIVE ORDER

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SECRETARY OF STATE  
COMMISSION DIVISION

WHEREAS, I have been advised by the Director of the State Emergency Management Agency that severe storms having the potential to cause statewide flooding particularly along the Missouri and Mississippi Rivers and their tributaries; and

WHEREAS, the National Weather Service is predicting major prolonged flooding across the state; and

WHEREAS, this flooding has also created the need for unplanned water releases from dams and reservoirs into the Missouri and Mississippi Rivers and tributaries; and

WHEREAS, the severe storms began May 5, 2007, and are continuing; and

WHEREAS, in order to protect the citizens of Missouri, I am invoking the provision of Section 41.480.2, RSMo.

NOW, THEREFORE, I MATT BLUNT, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, by virtue of 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 call forthwith and order into active service such portions of the organized militia as he deems necessary to aid the executive officials of Missouri and to protect life and property. It is further ordered and directed that the Adjutant General or his designee, 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 June 7, 2007, 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 7<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2007.



Matt Blunt  
Governor

ATTEST:



Robin Carnahan  
Secretary of State