## EXECUTIVE ORDER 22-09

WHEREAS, I have been advised by the State Emergency Management Agency that the forecasted severe winter storm systems have the potential to cause damage associated with snow, freezing rain, sleet, ice, and dangerously low temperatures, impacting communities throughout the State of Missouri; and

WHEREAS, many citizens of Missouri and other states will travel across Missouri in the coming days to celebrate the holidays with their loved ones; and

WHEREAS, the severe winter storm systems reaching Missouri on December 21, 2022 and continuing will likely create a condition of distress and hazard to the safety, welfare, and property of the people of the State of Missouri beyond the capabilities of some local jurisdictions and other established agencies; and

WHEREAS, the State of Missouri must continue to be proactive where the health and safety of its citizens are concerned; and

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

WHEREAS, a State of Emergency is currently in place under Executive Order 22-08.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL L. PARSON, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Missouri, including Sections 44.100 and 44.110, RSMo, do hereby declare that the State of Emergency in effect under Executive Order 22-08 shall continue until the expiration of this Executive Order and direct the Missouri State Emergency Operations Plan be activated contemporaneously.

I further order, pursuant to Sections 41.480 and 41.690, RSMo, 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 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.

I further authorize state agencies to provide assistance as needed.

This Order shall terminate on January 9, 2023 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 December, 2022.

> MICHAEL L. PARSON GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE

ATTEST: