EXECUTIVE ORDER 24-05

WHEREAS, on May 31, 2023, I declared a drought alert for 60 counties through Executive Order 23-05; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order 23-05 was set to expire on December 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, on November 17, 2023, I extended Executive Order 23-05 until May 1, 2024, with Executive Order 23-10, due to ongoing significant drought conditions experienced across the State of Missouri; and

WHEREAS, the counties of Andrew, Atchison, Audrain, Barry, Bates, Benton, Bollinger, Boone, Butler, Caldwell, Cape Girardeau, Carroll, Carter, Cass, Chariton, Christian, Clark, Clinton, Cooper, Crawford, Daviess, DeKalb, Dent, Dunklin, Gentry, Greene, Grundy, Harrison, Henry, Holt, Howard, Howell, Iron, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Johnson, Knox, Lafayette, Lawrence, Lewis, Livingston, Macon, Madison, Marion, McDonald, Mississippi, Monroe, New Madrid, Newton, Nodaway, Oregon, Pemiscot, Perry, Pettis, Ralls, Randolph, Ray, Reynolds, Ripley, St. Francois, Ste. Genevieve, Saline, Scott, Shannon, Shelby, Stoddard, Stone, Washington, Wayne, and Worth are currently experiencing moderate or severe drought; and

WHEREAS, current and forecasted weather conditions indicate additional counties may enter drought alert by being put into Warning or Emergency designations by the county list created by the Climate and Weather Subcommittee in accordance with the Missouri Drought Mitigation and Response Plan, located on Missouri Department of Natural Resources Drought webpage, and those counties shall also be declared in drought alert; and

WHEREAS, drought conditions remain such that the drought-response efforts described in Executive Order 23-05 and Executive Order 23-10 are necessary to support continued monitoring and mitigation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL L. PARSON, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, by virtue and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Missouri, do hereby extend Executive Order 23-05 until September 1, 2024, unless terminated or extended by subsequent order.

> 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 26th day of April, 2024.

> > MICHAEL L. PARSON **GOVERNOR**

SECRETARY OF STATE

ATTEST: