

EXECUTIVE ORDER

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WHEREAS, I have been advised by the Department of Public Safety and the State Emergency Management Agency that preparation for operations staffing and asset staging will begin on April 13, 2026, for the 2026 FIFA World Cup that will take place from June 11, 2026, to July 19, 2026, spanning sixteen host cities across three North American countries with forty-eight teams competing, and Kansas City, Missouri will host six of these FIFA World Cup matches, including one quarterfinal. The event is expected to see over 650,000 visitors to the KC Metro area to include numerous Fan Fest celebrations and watch parties affecting Missouri counties outside of the KC Metro region. As a result, local resources may be significantly strained, particularly regarding public safety, security, transportation, and other essential infrastructure. Missouri's State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) will need to be activated to provide situational awareness for elected officials, facilitate communication with federal agencies and other states, and coordinate resource support for affected communities throughout the State of Missouri; and

WHEREAS, interruptions of public services are occurring, or anticipated to occur, as a result of the 2026 FIFA World Cup event starting on April 13, 2026, and continuing; and

WHEREAS, the 2026 FIFA World Cup event beginning on April 13, 2026, and continuing, have the potential to 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 will continue to be proactive where the health and safety of the people of Missouri and visitors 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 visitors; and

WHEREAS, protection of the safety and welfare of the people of Missouri through assistance under the Emergency Mutual Aid Compact (EMAC) requires an invocation of the provisions of Sections 44.415 RSMo, 44.032 RSMo, 44.090 RSMo, and 44.091 RSMo; and

WHEREAS, invoking the provisions of Sections 44.100 and 44.110, RSMo, is required to ensure the protection of the safety and welfare of the people of Missouri.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MIKE KEHOE, 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 a State of Emergency exists in the State of Missouri and direct the Missouri State Emergency Operations Plan be activated.

I further order, pursuant to Sections 41.480 and 41.690, RSMo, the Adjutant General of the State of Missouri, or his designee, to continue to 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 and direct state agencies to provide assistance as needed.

This Order shall terminate on July 31, 2026, 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 13th day of April, 2026.



MIKE KEHOE
GOVERNOR



DENNY L. HOSKINS
SECRETARY OF STATE

ATTEST:

