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WHEREAS, a tornado struck the City of Deseto, entre Missouri on April 22, 1981, causing bodily injury and severe property damage; and

SECRETARY OF STATE

WHEREAS, such tornado created a condition of distress and hazard to the public health and safety, recognized to be beyond the capabilities of local and other established agencies, necessitating, therefore, the provisions of emergency relief within the distressed area;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRISTOPHER S. BOND, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, and the Commander-in-Chief of the militia of this State, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Statutes of this State and pursuant to Chapter 41, Revised Statutes of Missouri 1978, do hereby declare that an emergency exists in DeSoto, Missouri and I order and direct the Adjutant General of the State, 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 DeSoto, Missouri, to protect life and property, and perform law enforcement functions, 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 to take such action and employ such equipment as may be deemed necessary in support of civilian authorities, and to provide such other assistance as may be authorized and directed by the Governor of this State.



IN TESTIMONY 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, this 24th day of April, 1981.

Attest:

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