

**EXECUTIVE ORDER  
08-15**

Whereas, the Director of the State Emergency Management Agency has advised me that several severe storm systems causing damages associated with tornados, high winds, hail, flooding, and flash-flooding have impacted communities throughout the state of Missouri; and

Whereas, the severe weather that began on March 31, 2008, and continuing, has created a condition of distress and hazard to the safety, welfare, and property of the citizens of the state of Missouri beyond the capabilities of some local and other established agencies; and

Whereas, the citizens and communities of Missouri are yet recovering from the effects of the January, February, and March 2008 major disasters; and

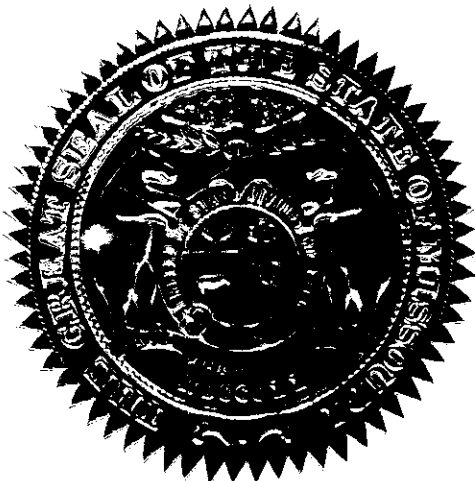
Whereas, the resources of the state of Missouri may be needed to assist affected jurisdictions and to help relieve the condition of distress and hazard to the safety and welfare of our fellow Missourians; and

Whereas, an invocation of the provisions of Sections 44.100 and 44.110 RSMo. will be required to ensure the protection of the safety and welfare of the citizens of the state.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MATT BLUNT, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, by virtue of the authority vested in me by 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 and order forthwith 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 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 take such action and employ such equipment as may be necessary in support of civilian authorities, and provide such assistance as may be authorized by the Governor of this state.

This order shall terminate on May 1, 2008, 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 1<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2008.



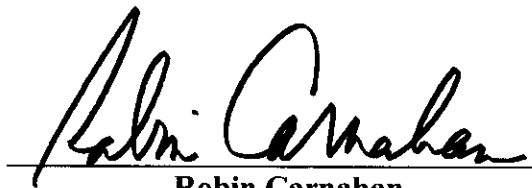
  
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Matt Blunt  
Governor

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SECRETARY OF STATE  
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Robin Carnahan  
Secretary of State