## EXECUTIVE ORDER 08-27

Whereas, I have been advised by the Director of the State Emergency Management Agency that the state of Louisiana is requesting assistance under the Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) in evacuating disaster victims associated with Hurricane Gustav from that state to the state of Missouri; and

Whereas, the state of Louisiana has asked Missouri to provide any necessary support, to include, personnel, equipment, and resources, pursuant to EMAC in order to provide for the efficient operation of this relocation effort; and

Whereas, this relocation effort is necessary to help relieve the condition of distress and hazard to the safety and welfare of our fellow Americans; and

Whereas, it is beyond the capabilities of Louisiana to effectively handle the large numbers of disaster victims; and

Whereas, the influx of large numbers of disaster victims from Louisiana will have a significant impact on the citizens and resources of Missouri; and

Whereas, the EMAC is designed to protect of the safety and welfare of the citizens in the affected EMAC states.

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 Sections 44.100 and 44.110, RSMo, do hereby declare that Missouri will implement the EMAC with the state of Louisiana to provide assistance with the evacuation of disaster victims associated with Hurricane Gustav. I do hereby direct the Missouri State Emergency Management Agency to activate the EMAC plan and the applicable sections of the Missouri State Emergency Operations Plan.

I further authorize the use of state agencies to provide support to this relocation effort, as needed.

This order shall terminate on September 30, 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 30<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2008.

Matt Blunt Governor

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Robin Carnahan Secretary of State