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EXECUTIVE ORDER 98-18 OCT -6 1998

SECRETARY OF STATE

WHEREAS, I have been advised by the Director of the State Emergency Management Agency that flooding and the potential for additional flooding is occurring and will occur throughout Missouri counties due to severe storms and flash flooding beginning October 3, 1998, and continuing; and

WHEREAS, there has been loss of life in Kansas City; and

WHEREAS, significant flooding has occurred and is occurring throughout every region of Missouri with the potential of additional significant flooding in Eastern and Southeastern Missouri; and

WHEREAS, the potential for damage and loss of property and interruption of public infrastructure could occur as a result of the severe weather beginning October 3, 1998, and continuing; and

WHEREAS, protection of the safety and welfare of the citizens in the affected communities and their property requires an invocation of the provisions of Section 44.100, RSMo, 1994;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Roger B. Wilson, Acting Governor of the State of Missouri, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Missouri and Section 44.100, RSMo, 1994, do hereby declare that a State of Emergency exists in the State of Missouri. The counties suffering flooding damage are hereby declared disaster areas, and I do hereby direct that the Missouri State Emergency Operations Plan be activated. I further authorize the use of state agencies to provide support to the affected areas.

This order shall terminate on October 31, 1998, unless extended in whole or in part.

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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 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1998.

**ACTING GOVERNOR** 

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE