## Executive Order 05-28

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Whereas, I have been advised by the Director of the State Emergency Management Agency that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is requesting assistance in relocating disaster victims from those States impacted by Hurricane Katrina to the State of Missouri; and

Whereas, FEMA has asked Missouri to provide any necessary support, to include, personnel, equipment, and resources, 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 the affected States to effectively handle the large numbers of disaster victims; and

Whereas, the influx of large numbers of disaster victims from the States impacted by Hurricane Katrina will have a significant impact on the citizens and resources of Missouri; and

Whereas, protection of the safety and welfare of the citizens of the State requires an invocation of the provisions of Sections 44.100 and 44.110, RSMo.

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 a State of Emergency exists in the State of Missouri. 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 this relocation effort, as needed.

This order shall terminate on October 4, 2005, unless extended in whole or in part.

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ATTEST:

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 4<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2005.

Matt Blunt Governor

Robin Carnahan Secretary of State