PROCLAMATION

STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on May 29, 2011, a line of severe storms impacted the central and southern regions of Lower Michigan; and

WHEREAS, the storms caused widespread power outages and significant debris accumulations on some roadways in the city of Battle Creek and Emmett Township in Calhoun County, threatening the health and safety of the public due to limited access by emergency vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the city of Battle Creek and Calhoun County have expended many hours of response activity and incurred significant cost related to clearing debris from roadways to allow access by emergency vehicles, and to minimize hazards to the public; and

WHEREAS, on May 29, 2011, the city of Battle Creek and Calhoun County each declared a local state of emergency and requested state assistance with debris clearance activities on obstructed public roadways; and

WHEREAS, the city and county have determined that local resources are insufficient to address the situation and state assistance is required to protect public health and safety; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD D. SNYDER, Governor of the State of Michigan, pursuant to the Constitution of the State of Michigan and provisions of Act No. 390 of the Public Acts of 1976, as amended, do hereby proclaim that a state of emergency exists in the city of Battle Creek and in Calhoun County; and

FURTHER, the Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division of the Department of State Police shall coordinate and maximize all state efforts, including such units and individuals of the Michigan National Guard which may be activated to state service to assist the local political subdivisions, and may call upon all state departments to utilize resources at their avail to assist in the emergency area pursuant to the Michigan Emergency Management Plan; and

FURTHER, termination of this emergency will occur at such time as emergency conditions no longer exist and appropriate programs have been implemented to recover from the effects of this emergency, but in no case later than June 27, 2011, unless extended as provided by Act No. 390.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Michigan this thirty-first day of May in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

RICHARD D. SNYDER
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

SECRETARY OF STATE

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