



STATE OF MICHIGAN
EXECUTIVE OFFICE
LANSING

RICK SNYDER
GOVERNOR

BRIAN CALLEY
LT. GOVERNOR

PROCLAMATION
DECLARATION OF DISASTER

WHEREAS, Section 1 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 vests the executive power of the state of Michigan in the Governor; and

WHEREAS, under the Emergency Management Act, Act No. 390 of the Public Acts of 1976, as amended, MCL 30.401 to 30.421, the Governor is responsible for coping with dangers to this state or the people of this state presented by a disaster or emergency or threat thereof, and may issue executive orders, proclamations, and directives having the force and effect of law to implement the Act; and

WHEREAS, under Section 3 of the Emergency Management Act, 1976 Public Act 390, MCL 30.403, the Governor shall, by executive order or proclamation, declare a state of disaster if the Governor finds that a disaster has occurred or that the threat of a disaster exists; and

WHEREAS, on August 11, 2014, a historic rainfall event occurred in southeastern Michigan, causing significant flooding and major road closures throughout metropolitan Detroit; and

WHEREAS, the areas primarily affected are the counties of Wayne, Oakland, and Macomb and many municipalities therein; and

WHEREAS, the flooding has threatened public health and safety due to widespread and severe damage to homes, businesses, public facilities, and infrastructure, and has created major difficulties for transportation in Wayne, Oakland, and Macomb Counties, including closure of major thoroughfares and vehicles stranded on flooded roadways; and

WHEREAS, from August 11, 2014, to this date, local governments have taken a number of actions to cope with the situation, including but not limited to declaring a local state of emergency, activating the disaster response and recovery aspects of their emergency operations plan, marshaling required resources, and issuing emergency public information; and

WHEREAS, local resources have been insufficient to address the situation and state assistance is required to protect public health, safety, and property, and to lessen or avert the threat of a catastrophe; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Richard D. Snyder, Governor of the state of Michigan, pursuant to the Constitution of the state of Michigan and Michigan law, do hereby proclaim that a state of disaster exists in the aforementioned counties and the affected municipalities therein; and order the following:

FURTHER, the Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division of the Department of State Police shall coordinate and maximize all state efforts, and may call upon all state departments to utilize resources at their avail to assist in the disaster area pursuant to the Michigan Emergency Management Plan; and

FURTHER, termination of this disaster will occur at such time as the threats to public health, safety, and property caused by the disaster no longer exist and appropriate programs have been implemented to recover from the effects of this disaster, but in no case longer than September 9, 2014, unless extended as provided by Act No. 390.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the state of Michigan this 13th day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Fourteen.



Richard D. Snyder

RICHARD D. SNYDER
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Paul W. Johnson

SECRETARY OF STATE

FILED WITH SECRETARY OF STATE

ON 8/13/14 AT 11:40 a.m.