RICK SNYDER
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MICHIGAN
EXECUTIVE OFFICE
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BRIAN CALLEY
LT. GOVERNOR

PROCLAMATION

STATE OF EMERGENCY

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 emergency if the Governor finds that an emergency has occurred or that the threat of an emergency exists; and

WHEREAS, beginning on February 13, 2014, and continuing to this day, extended extreme cold temperatures struck Marquette County, resulting in widespread deep frost levels throughout the county; and

WHEREAS, the area affected is the County of Marquette; and

WHEREAS, the deep frost level has caused widespread and severe damage to public water distributions systems, wastewater collection systems, municipal fire suppression systems, and public roadways, and threatened public health and safety due to lack of potable water for residents and businesses, reduced capacity to respond to structural fires, reduced capacity to treat wastewater, and increased emergency vehicle response times caused by roadway damage; and

WHEREAS, from February 13, 2014, to this day, Marquette County and its local political subdivisions 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, Marquette County and its local political subdivisions have determined that local resources are 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 provisions of Act No. 390 of the Public Acts of 1976, as amended, do hereby proclaim that a state of emergency exists in Marquette County; and

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 emergency area pursuant to the Michigan Emergency Management Plan; and

FURTHER, termination of this emergency will occur at such time as the threat or danger to public health, safety, and property caused by the emergency no longer exist and appropriate programs have been implemented to recover from the effects of this emergency, but in no case longer than May 15, 2014, unless extended as provided by Act No. 390.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the state of Michigan this 17th day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Fourteen.

RICHARD D. SNYDER
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

SECRETARY OF STATE

FILED WITH SECRETARY OF STATE

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