

PROCLAMATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2014, and continuing thereafter, severe storm systems affected the state of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, these storm systems caused severe weather, including damaging winds, straight-line winds, heavy rains, thunderstorms, flash flooding, flooding and tornadoes resulting in death, personal injury, significant damage to public and private property, power outages resulting from downed power lines and poles, large debris piles and damage to emergency communications systems; and

WHEREAS, Polk County suffered significant damage from this event; and

WHEREAS, reports forwarded to the Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Department by the Polk County emergency management coordinator and others in the affected county indicate that local resources and capabilities have been exhausted and that state assistance and resources are needed to respond to and recover from the effects of this event; and

WHEREAS, these conditions threaten the public peace, health, and safety of citizens of the State of Iowa and have damaged and destroyed public and private property. Because of this, they provide legal justification for the issuance of a Proclamation of a State of Disaster Emergency pursuant to Iowa Code § 29C.6 (1).

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TERRY E. BRANSTAD, Governor of the State of Iowa, by the power and authority vested in me by the Iowa Constitution Art. IV, §§ 1, 8 and Iowa Code § 29C.6 (1), and all other applicable laws, do hereby proclaim a **STATE OF DISASTER EMERGENCY** for Polk County and do hereby **ORDER** and **DIRECT** the following:

SECTION ONE. As required by Iowa Code § 29C.6 (1), (10) and 42 U.S.C. § 5170 in cases of Presidential Disaster Declarations, this Proclamation of Disaster Emergency activates the disaster response and recovery aspect of the Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Department's Iowa Emergency Response Plan and those additional response plans applicable to the county affected by this disaster and authorizes the use and deployment of all available state resources, supplies, equipment, and materials as are reasonably necessary to assist those citizens located in the disaster county.

SECTION TWO. This state of disaster emergency shall be effective on July 8, 2014, shall continue for thirty (30) days, and shall expire on August 7, 2014, unless sooner terminated or extended in writing by me. Iowa Code § 29C.6 (1).



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State of Iowa to be affixed at Des Moines, Iowa this eighth day of July in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Fourteen.

TERRY E. BRANSTAD

GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

MATT SCHULTZ

SECRETARY OF STATE