STATE of MINNESOTA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

TIM PAWLENTY
GOVERNOR

EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER 03-15
PROVIDING FOR ASSISTANCE TO OFFICIALS IN POLK COUNTY

I, TIM PAWLENTY, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the applicable statutes, do hereby issue this Executive Order:

WHEREAS, on November 22, 2003, 22-year-old Dru Sjodin was abducted from a parking lot at the Columbia Mall in Grand Forks, North Dakota; and

WHEREAS, law enforcement authorities believe that Ms. Sjodin may be within Polk county or the surrounding area; and

WHEREAS, law enforcement authorities and volunteers have been unable to locate Ms. Sjodin and weather conditions require additional immediate search efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Polk County Sheriff has requested the assistance of the National Guard to provide additional personnel and equipment to conduct a coordinated aerial and ground search before weather conditions seriously hamper search efforts.

NOW, THEREFORE, I hereby order that:

1. The Adjutant General of Minnesota order to state active duty on or about December 9, 2003, in the service of the State, such personnel and equipment of the military forces of the State as required and for such period of time as necessary to conduct a coordinated and organized search.

2. The Adjutant General is authorized to purchase, lease or contract goods or services necessary to accomplish the mission.

3. The cost of subsistence, transportation, fuel, pay and allowances of activated members of the Minnesota National Guard shall be defrayed from the general fund of the State, as
provided for in Minnesota Statutes 2002, Sections 192.49, Subds. 1 and 2; 192.52, 192.54 and as otherwise permitted by law.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 2002, Section 4.035, Subd. 2, this Order is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until such date as elements of the military forces of the State are no longer required.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand this 9th day of December, 2003.

TIM PAWLIENTY
Governor

Filed According to Law:

MARY KIFFMEYER
Secretary of State