I, Tim Pawlenty, Governor of Minnesota, by virtue of the Authority vested in me by the Constitution and applicable statutes, hereby issue this Executive Order:

WHEREAS, Hurricane Katrina has impacted national resources and federal agencies have requested the State of Minnesota to provide for the care and shelter for hurricane evacuees from affected areas; and

WHEREAS, the resources of local, county and state governments must be fully utilized to insure immediate response to support the care, sheltering and housing of displaced persons as a result of Hurricane Katrina.

WHEREAS, these conditions may require special actions of government and the people of the state in the near and long term related to the care and support of persons evacuated.

NOW, THEREFORE, I declare a state of emergency to exist in state of Minnesota as of September 2, 2005, and do further direct the agencies of the state, in cooperation with appropriate federal agencies, to provide such aid as necessary under existing state and federal statutory authority.
Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 2004, Section 4.035, Subdivision 2, this emergency executive order shall be effective immediately and will continue in effect until it is rescinded or expires in accordance with Minnesota law.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand on this 5th day of September, 2005.

TIM PAWLIENTY
Governor

Filed according to law:

MARY KIFFMEYER
Secretary of State