RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, a near-record rainfall has resulted in flooding in southern Minnesota, which necessitated road closures and threatened both public and private property; and

WHEREAS, dangerous flooding conditions are likely to persist in the coming weeks and these conditions have created an imminent danger to persons and property including areas in Blue Earth, Brown, Carver, Chippewa, Cottonwood, Dakota, Dodge, Faribault, Fillmore, Freeborn, Goodhue, Houston, Jackson, Lac Qui Parle, Le Sueur, Lincoln, Lyon, Martin, Mower, Murray, Nicollet, Nobles, Olmsted, Pipestone, Ramsey, Rice, Rock, Scott, Sibley, Steele, Wabasha, Waseca, Watonwan, Winona and Yellow Medicine Counties; and

WHEREAS, the conditions continue to present an immediate need to activate emergency resources to combat the emergency conditions and the resources of the affected local and county governments are inadequate to meet the demands generated by the emergency conditions; and

WHEREAS, in response to the emergency conditions, the Governor declared on September 23, 2010, a peacetime state of emergency, activated the State Emergency Operations Center, directed the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to implement the State Emergency Operation Plan, directed state agencies to provide necessary assistance in the affected areas (Executive Order 10-14); and

WHEREAS, the Governor has also activated members of the Minnesota National Guard to provide personnel and equipment to support Minnesota’s emergency operations and to support local relief efforts; and

WHEREAS, the need for the state to provide emergency relief services will continue for more than 5 days and it is, therefore, necessary for the Executive Council to immediately consider and approve extension of the state of emergency pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 2008, Section 12.31, Subdivision 2.

RESOLVED, by the Executive Council of the State of Minnesota, at its meeting on Monday, September 27, 2010, that the peacetime emergency declared in Executive Order 10-14 is extended for 30 days pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 2008, Section 12.31, Subdivision 2.

Sincerely,

Executive Secretary
State Executive Council

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MARK RITCHIE
Secretary of State