

STATE OF MINNESOTA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT



Resolution 11-11-A

Extending a Flood Emergency

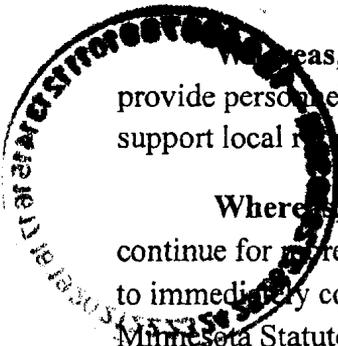
Whereas, heavy late summer and autumn precipitation, a snow pack containing a water content ranked among the highest of the last 60 years, and a forecasted warming trend over the coming weeks make conditions favorable for severe widespread flooding in the Minnesota, Upper and Lower Mississippi, Red River of the North, and St. Croix river basins; and

Whereas, sandbagging operations, road closures, and other emergency protective measures are taking place across the state; and

Whereas, the resources of local, county, and state governments must be fully utilized to ensure immediate response to protect the life and safety of persons in the affected areas, including the tribal nations of the Upper Sioux Agency, Prairie Island Indian Community and the following counties: Aitkin, Becker, Benton, Big Stone, Blue Earth, Brown, Carver, Chippewa, Clay, Cottonwood, Dakota, Goodhue, Grant, Hennepin, Houston, Jackson, Kittson, Lac Qui Parle, Le Sueur, Lyon, Marshall, McLeod, Morrison, Nicollet, Norman, Otter Tail, Pennington, Polk, Ramsey, Redwood, Red Lake, Renville, Scott, Sibley, Stearns, Steele, Stevens, Swift, Todd, Traverse, Wabasha, Washington, Wilkin, Winona, Wright, and Yellow Medicine, and to protect property and infrastructure from additional damage; 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

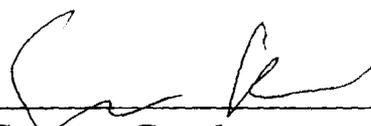
Whereas, in response to the emergency conditions, the Governor on April 6, 2011, in Executive Order 11-11, declared a peacetime emergency, continued activation of the Minnesota Emergency Operations Plan, and directed state agencies to continue to provide necessary assistance in the affected areas; and



Whereas, the Governor has also activated members of the 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 five days and it is, therefore, necessary for the Executive Council to immediately consider and approve extension of the peacetime emergency under Minnesota Statutes, section 12.31, subdivision 2; **Now, Therefore,**

Be It Resolved by the Executive Council of the State of Minnesota, at its meeting on Friday, April 8, 2011, that the peacetime emergency declared in Executive Order 11-11 is extended for 30 days under Minnesota Statutes, section 12.31, subdivision 2.



Spencer Cronk
Executive Secretary
Executive Council

Filed According to Law:



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