STATE OF MINNESOTA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

MARK DAYTON
GOVERNOR

Emergency Executive Order 13-09
Declaring a Peacetime Emergency in the State of Minnesota

I, Mark Dayton, Governor of the State of Minnesota, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and applicable statutes, do hereby issue this Executive Order:

Whereas, from Thursday, June 20 through Wednesday, June 26, 2013, severe storms and flash flooding affected a large section of the state resulting in significant debris issues, and extensive damage to public infrastructure and the utility distribution system; and

Whereas, the Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, activated the Minnesota Emergency Operations Plan on June 20, 2013, will continue the provision of support and assistance to the affected local governments, and is assessing and determining the need for supplementary disaster aid; and

Whereas, the resources of local, county, and state governments were fully utilized to ensure immediate response to protect the life and safety of persons in the affected areas, including the counties of Aitkin, Benton, Big Stone, Carver, Douglas, Faribault, Fillmore, Freeborn, Hennepin, Houston, Kandiyohi, McLeod, Meeker, Mille Lacs, Pine, Pope, Renville, Ramsey, Sibley, Stearns, Stevens, Swift, Traverse, Wilkin, Winona, and Wright and to protect property and infrastructure from additional damage; and

Now, Therefore, I hereby declare that:

1. A state of peacetime emergency exists pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 12.31, subdivision 2, in the counties of Aitkin, Benton, Big Stone, Carver, Douglas, Faribault, Fillmore, Freeborn, Hennepin, Houston, Kandiyohi, McLeod, Meeker, Mille Lacs, Pine, Pope, Renville, Ramsey, Sibley, Stearns, Stevens, Swift, Traverse, Wilkin, Winona, and Wright; and
2. State agencies shall continue to provide necessary assistance, in cooperation with appropriate federal agencies, to help local units of government recover from this emergency.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 4.035, subdivision 2, this Emergency Executive Order is effective immediately and must be filed with the Secretary of State and published in the State Register as soon as possible after its issuance. This Emergency Executive Order shall remain in effect until the conclusion of the emergency, but for no more than five days, unless extended by the Executive Council or the Legislature in accordance with the law.

In Testimony Whereof, I have set my hand on this 3rd day of July, 2013.

Mark Dayton
Governor

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Mark Ritchie
Secretary of State