



STATE OF MINNESOTA

Office of Governor Mark Dayton

130 State Capitol ♦ 75 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard ♦ Saint Paul, MN 55155

August 7, 2017

Mr. Joe Kelly
Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Management
Minnesota Department of Public Safety
445 Minnesota Street, Suite #223
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

Dear Director Kelly:

Based upon supporting documents provided to me by the Department of Public Safety-Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, I have determined that damage in certain areas of Becker, Clay, and Norman Counties resulting from severe thunderstorms with high winds, heavy rains, large hail, and tornadoes during the period of July 11 through July 12, 2017, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant the use of the State Public Disaster Assistance fund, as described under Minn. Stat. §12B.

In order to provide state public disaster assistance, I hereby designate you as my authorized representative so that you may:

- allocate such amounts as you find necessary for state disaster assistance from funds available for these purposes;
- provide public assistance in the designated area; and
- provide additional assistance if requested by a local government; and warranted by the results of further damage assessments, to the extent allowable under Minn. Stat. §12B.

Sincerely,



Mark Dayton
Governor

cc: Commissioner Ramona Dohman, Minnesota Department of Public Safety
Commissioner Myron Frans, Minnesota Department of Management and Budget
Larry Knutson, Becker County Board Chair
Jack Ingstad, Becker County Administrator
Craig Fontaine, Becker County Emergency Management Director
Kevin Campbell, Clay County Board Chair
Brian Berg, Clay County Administrator
Lieutenant Brian Green, Clay County Emergency Management Director
Marvin Gunderson, Norman County Board Chair
Garry Johansen, Norman County Emergency Management Director