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Executive Order #285

Proclamation of a State of Emergency

WHEREAS, severe weather, including heavy rains, high winds, tornadoes and damage associated with such conditions have occurred repeatedly throughout the State in the months of April, May and June; and

WHEREAS, within the last week, heavy rains have caused saturated soils and flooding; and

WHEREAS, these severe weather conditions have created great hardship for the citizens and local governments of the State of Wisconsin and resulted in damage to personal and real property and necessitated the emergency response of numerous local agencies; and

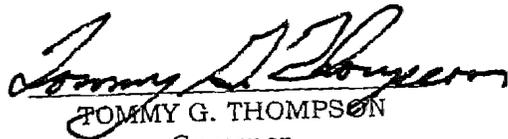
WHEREAS, the impacted citizens and local governments are in need of available state assistance;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TOMMY G. THOMPSON, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this state, and specifically by Section 166.03 (1)(b)(1) of the Wisconsin Statutes, **DO HEREBY PROCLAIM** that a State of Emergency exists throughout the State, and particularly in the following counties which have indicated significant damage connected with the aforementioned severe weather: Dane, Ozaukee, Sauk, Jefferson, Kenosha, Green, Rock, Vernon, Richland, Lafayette, Dodge, Columbia, Sheboygan, Walworth and Shawano.

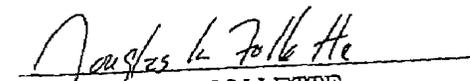
All agencies of the State of Wisconsin are **DIRECTED** to provide whatever assistance may be necessary and appropriate to address this State of Emergency. Such assistance shall be coordinated by the Wisconsin Division of Emergency Management. The Wisconsin Division

of Emergency Management shall coordinate its response with appropriate federal agencies, including the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the U.S. Department of Agriculture, to determine if federal assistance is available to meet the needs of affected citizens and local governments of the State of Wisconsin.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this Nineteenth day of June in the year one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six.


TOMMY G. THOMPSON
Governor

By the Governor:


DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State

