

## **EXECUTIVE ORDER #11**

## Relating to a Proclamation Declaring a State of Emergency in Response to Severe Winter Weather with Blizzard Conditions

**WHEREAS**, beginning on February 1, 2011, an extremely dangerous winter storm with heavy snowfall and damaging winds causing blizzard conditions will be moving across the State of Wisconsin through February 2, 2011; and

WHEREAS, due to heavy snow, strong winds and falling temperatures, travel conditions are expected to worsen throughout the day on February 1, 2011 and into February 2, 2011; and

**WHEREAS,** the Wisconsin State Patrol and the National Weather Service are urging citizens to avoid travel in the areas affected by the blizzard, through midnight on February 2, 2011; and

**WHEREAS,** emergency responders from fire, law enforcement, and emergency medical services need to respond as a result of this severe weather, including Wisconsin Emergency Management, the Wisconsin State Patrol, and the Wisconsin National Guard; and

**WHEREAS,** Wisconsin Emergency Management has requested me, pursuant to Section 321.39(1)(a) of the Wisconsin Statutes, to use such of the Wisconsin National Guard as may be necessary to assist with emergency response and recovery operations in the affected Counties; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Walker,** Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of this state, and specifically by Sections 321.39(1)(a) and 323.10, do hereby:

- Proclaim that a State of Emergency exists in Adams, Calumet, Columbia, Crawford, Dane, Dodge, Fond du Lac, Grant, Green, Green Lake, Iowa, Jefferson, Juneau, Kenosha, Kewaunee, Lafayette, Manitowoc, Marquette, Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Racine, Richland, Rock, Sauk, Sheboygan, Walworth, Washington, Waukesha, and Winnebago Counties; and
- 2. Direct all state agencies of the State of Wisconsin to assist the above referenced counties as appropriate in this response and recovery effort; and
- 3. Call to state active duty such elements of the Wisconsin National Guard as the Adjutant General deems necessary to assist civil authorities for purposes of assisting in response and recovery efforts as well as providing security and other essential services; and

Authorize the Adjutant General to utilize personnel called to state active duty pursuant to this order in emergency status.

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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 first day of February in the year 2011.

SCOTT WALL Governor