

**EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 56**

**An Amendment to Executive Orders No. 53 and 54  
Proclamation of a State of Emergency**

**WHEREAS**, severe weather including heavy rains, high winds and tornadoes occurred on or about September 2, 2002, in the State of Wisconsin; and

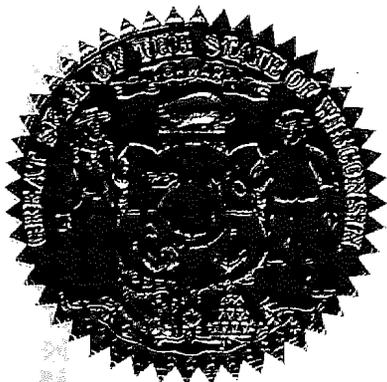
**WHEREAS**, heavy rains and tornado activity caused substantial property damage; and

**WHEREAS**, these severe weather conditions have created great hardship for the citizens and local governments of the affected counties; and

**WHEREAS**, additional personnel and resources are needed to expedite emergency recovery operations in the affected counties;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, SCOTT McCALLUM**, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this state, and specifically by Sections 21.11 (1) and 166.03 (1)(b)(1) of the Wisconsin Statutes, do hereby:

1. In addition to Rusk and Taylor Counties, I now proclaim that a State of Emergency exists in Polk and Marathon Counties; and
2. Direct all state agencies of the State of Wisconsin to assist the above-referenced counties as appropriate in this response effort.



**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 ninth day of September in the year two thousand and two.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Scott McCallum". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Scott McCallum  
Governor

By the Governor:

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Douglas La Follette". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.  
Douglas La Follette  
Secretary of State