



## Media Room

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### EXECUTIVE ORDER # 337

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#### Relating to a Declaration of a State of Emergency

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**WHEREAS**, beginning on December 11, 2010, and continuing through December 12, 2010, widespread and severe winter storms with associated heavy snowfall, freezing rain, and damaging winds have caused blizzard conditions in the State of Wisconsin; and

**WHEREAS**, the severe winter storms and blizzards have caused extensive damage to the roadway distribution, closing of interstate highways, power outages, and damage to other public infrastructure, amounting to a natural disaster; 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, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, and the Wisconsin National Guard; and

**WHEREAS**, Wisconsin Emergency Management has requested that such use of the Wisconsin National Guard as may be necessary to assist with emergency response and recovery operations in the State be authorized;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Jim Doyle, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by virtue of the authority vested in me and of the National Guard by the Constitution and laws of this state, specifically by Sections 323.10 and 321.39(1)(a) of the Wisconsin Statutes, do hereby, do hereby:

1. Declare that a State of Emergency exists in the State of Wisconsin; and
2. Direct all state agencies of the State of Wisconsin to assist 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
4. Authorize the Adjutant General to utilize personnel called to state active duty pursuant to this order in emergency status.

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 thirteenth day of December  
in the year two thousand ten.

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JIM DOYLE  
Governor

By the Governor:

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DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State

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