

WHEREAS, severe storms, accompanied by heavy rainfall and high winds, occurred in Ashland, Bayfield, Douglas, Florence, Iron, Oneida, Price, Rusk, Sawyer, and Vilas Counties from July 4, 1999 through July 31, 1999; and

WHEREAS, intense storms caused extensive damage to individual homes, to the roadway distribution network, and to other public infrastructure in Ashland, Bayfield, Douglas, Florence, Iron, Oneida, Price, Rusk, Sawyer, and Vilas Counties amounting to a natural disaster:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TOMMY G. THOMPSON, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Wisconsin, and specifically by Sections 166.03(1)(b) 1 of the Wisconsin Statutes, do hereby:

- 1. Proclaim that a State of Emergency exists in Ashland, Bayfield, Douglas, Florence, Iron, Oneida, Price, Rusk, Sawyer, and Vilas Counties; and
- 2. Direct all agencies of the State of Wisconsin to assist Ashland, Bayfield, Douglas, Florence, Iron, Oneida, Price, Rusk, Sawyer, and Vilas Counties in recovering from this natural disaster.

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 sixth day of August in the year one thousand nine hundred and ninety-nine.

By the Governor:

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