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# **STATE of MINNESOTA**

## EXECUTIVE

## DEPARTMENT

### JESSE VENTURA GOVERNOR

#### EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER 00-03 DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY IN THE STATE OF MINNESOTA

I, JESSE VENTURA, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the applicable statutes, do hereby issue this Emergency Executive Order:

WHEREAS, during the period from May 17, 2000, and continuing, severe thunderstorms accompanied by torrential rain, flash flooding, straight-line winds, hail, and lightning devastated southeastern Minnesota;

WHEREAS, these events have inflicted widespread and considerable damage to the public infrastructure as well as to homes, farms, and businesses; and

WHEREAS, as a result, there is a threat to public safety for citizens in the counties of Dodge, Faribault, Fillmore, Freeborn, Houston, Mower, Olmsted and Winona, and

WHEREAS, the resources of local, county, state and tribal government and private relief agencies have been exhausted in responding to the crisis;

NOW, THEREFORE, I hereby order that:



A State of Emergency exists in the State of Minnesota and do:

- Direct the Division of Emergency Management to continue the activation of the State Emergency Operations Plan, and, in conjunction with the Federal Emergency Management Agency and other state and federal agencies, determine the need for supplementary disaster aid and coordinate the provision of any such assistance as necessary under existing state and federal authority;
- Direct all state agencies to provide assistance that is necessary to help local units of government respond to and recover from this emergency.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1998, Section 4.035, subd. 2, this Order is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until rescinded by proper authority or it expires in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 1998, Section 4.035, subd. 3.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand this twenty-second day of June, 2000.

JESSE VENTURA Governor

Filed According to Law:

MARY KIFFMEYER Secretary of State

