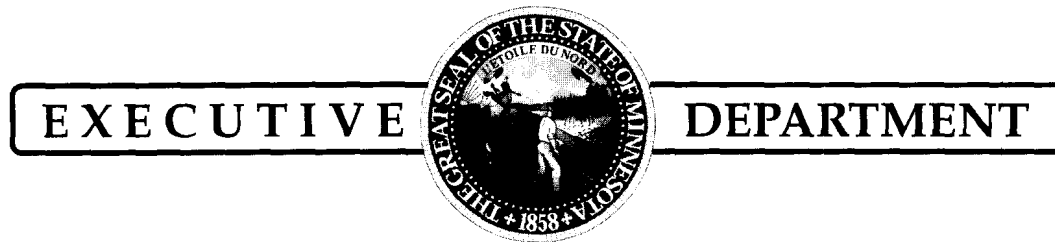


STATE of MINNESOTA



TIM PAWLENTY
GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER 03-11
PROVIDING FOR ASSISTANCE TO
PATIENTS AND RESIDENTS IN
STATE REGIONAL TREATMENT CENTERS, VETERANS HOMES,
AND COMMUNITY-BASED RESIDENCES
OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA

I, TIM PAWLENTY, 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 Executive Order:

WHEREAS, current labor negotiations with state employees represented by the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME, Council 6) and the Minnesota Association of Professional Employees (MAPE) present the possibility these state employees could choose to strike;

WHEREAS, state employees represented by AFSCME and MAPE provide critical direct care services to individuals in state regional treatment centers, veterans homes, and community-based residences;

WHEREAS, these direct care personnel provide essential life, safety and health care to the persons served by these facilities; and

WHEREAS, in the event of a strike, the absence of direct care personnel presents an immediate threat to the health, welfare and safety of the persons served by these facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Department of Human Services and the Veterans Home Board have requested assistance from the Commissioner of Employee Relations in obtaining personnel to provide essential life, safety and health care services to the persons served by these facilities in the event of a strike; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Employee Relations has requested assistance from the Governor to ensure the provision of essential services to the persons served by these facilities in the event of a strike; and

WHEREAS, the temporary assignment of State of Minnesota employees and the deployment of personnel from the Minnesota National Guard will be needed to avoid a breakdown in the essential care of persons in these facilities in the event of a strike; and

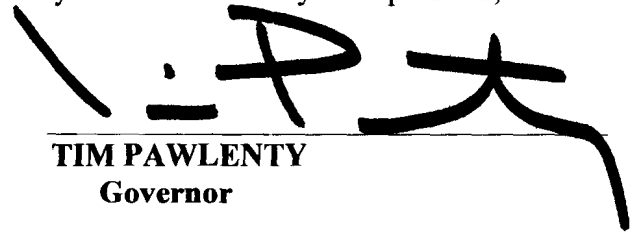
WHEREAS, the training of personnel to carry out this function must be undertaken in due course to ensure proper care for the persons in these listed facilities in the event of a strike.

NOW, THEREFORE, I hereby order that:

1. The Department of Human Services and the Veterans Home Board immediately implement their strike preparation plans to provide for the safety and the essential direct care and treatment of individuals in the custodial care of the State of Minnesota and the above listed facilities, including the provision of appropriate training programs for personnel temporarily assigned or deployed pursuant to this Order, for the purpose of assuring an appropriate level of care and treatment of such individuals.
2. State agencies and State employees cooperate and assist the Minnesota Department of Employee Relations in the implementation of the State of Minnesota Strike Contingency Plan and agency strike preparation plans approved by the Commissioner of Employee Relations.
3. The Adjutant General or Acting Adjutant General for the State of Minnesota shall order to state active duty, on or before October 1, 2003, such elements of the military forces of the State, as required, for the purpose of receiving the necessary advance training and providing essential life, safety and health care services in the event of a strike pursuant to the strike response plans implemented by the Department of Human Services and the Veterans Home Board.
4. The Adjutant General or Acting Adjutant General is authorized to purchase, lease, or contract goods or services necessary to accomplish the mission.
5. The cost of subsistence, transportation, fuel, pay and allowances of said military personnel shall be defrayed from the general fund of the State, as provided for generally and in particular in Minnesota Statutes 2002, Sections 192.49, subds. 1 and 2; 192.52, and 192.54.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 2002, section 4.035, subd. 2, this Order is effective fifteen (15) days after publication in the State Register and filing with the Secretary of State and shall remain in effect until rescinded by proper authority or it expires in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 2002, section 4.035, subd. 3.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand this 11th day of September, 2003.



TIM PAWLENTY
Governor

Filed According to Law:



MARY KIFFMEYER
Secretary of State

