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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, flooding of potentially historic levels is anticipated in the counties adjacent to the Red River of the North in the coming days and weeks, including Wilkin, Clay, Marshall, Polk, Norman, Kittson, and Traverse Counties; and

WHEREAS, flooding in other Red River basin counties and in counties adjacent to them is also anticipated; and

WHEREAS, significant rainfall and additional overland movement of water with ponding have been forecast for the coming week; and

WHEREAS, flood levels on the Red River of the North are not expected to crest in the affected area until the latter part of this week or later; and

WHEREAS, the conditions present an immediate need to activate emergency resources to combat the emergency conditions and the resources of the affected local and county governments are inadequate to meet the demands generated by the emergency conditions; and

WHEREAS, in response to the emergency conditions, the Governor declared a peacetime state of emergency, activated the State Emergency Operations Center, directed the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to implement the Minnesota Emergency Operations Plan, and directed state agencies to provide necessary assistance in the affected areas (Executive Order 09-05); and

WHEREAS, in further response to the peacetime emergency declared in Executive Order 09-05, the Governor has issued Executive Order 09-06 providing for emergency assistance to motor carriers operating in Minnesota during the emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Governor has also activated members of the Minnesota National Guard to provide personnel and equipment to support Minnesota's emergency operations and to support local relief efforts; and

WHEREAS, the need for the state to provide emergency relief services will continue for more than 5 days and it is, therefore, necessary for the Executive Council to extend the state of emergency pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 2008, Section 12.31, Subdivision 2.

RESOLVED, by the Executive Council of the State of Minnesota, at its meeting on March 25, 2009, that the peacetime emergency declared in Executive Order 09-05 is extended for 30 days pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 2008, Section 12.31, Subdivision 2.

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