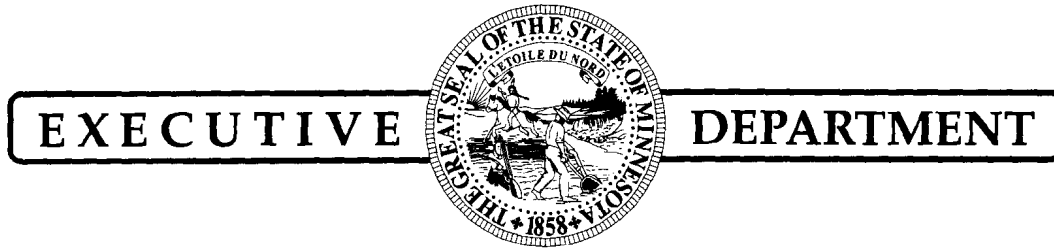


# STATE of MINNESOTA



**TIM PAWLENTY**  
**GOVERNOR**

## **EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER 10-10**

### **DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY IN 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, including Minnesota Statutes 2009, Chapter 12, do hereby issue this Executive Order:

WHEREAS, on Thursday, June 17, 2010, severe thunderstorms crossed the entire state of Minnesota and an unprecedented number of tornadoes touched down, resulting in loss of life, widespread power outages and significant damage to personal property, homes, businesses and public infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, counties' emergency operations plans are activated, cities and counties have declared local emergencies, and local jurisdiction are requesting state assistance and resources; and

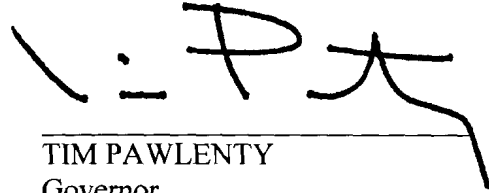
WHEREAS, the resources of local, county and state governments must be fully utilized to ensure immediate response to protect the life and safety of persons in the affected areas and to protect property and infrastructure from additional damage.

NOW, THEREFORE, I hereby order that:

1. A State of Emergency pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 2009, Section 12.31 exists in the counties of Faribault, Freeborn, Olmsted, Otter Tail, Polk, Steele, and Wadena.
2. The Department of Public Safety, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management will activate the Minnesota Emergency Operations Plan, continue the provision of on-site support and assistance to the affected local governments, and determine the need for supplementary emergency assistance.
3. All state agencies, in cooperation with appropriate federal agencies, are directed to provide the assistance necessary to help local units of government respond to and recover from this emergency.

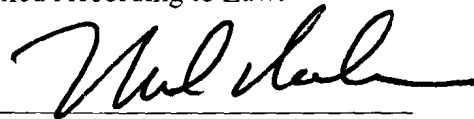
Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 2009, Section 4.035, Subdivision 2, this Order shall be effective retroactively to June 17, 2010, and shall remain in effect until the emergency status no longer requires emergency response. The peacetime emergency can be extended by the Executive Council or the Legislature in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 2009, Section 12.31, Subdivision 2.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand this 19<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2010.



TIM PAWLENTY  
Governor

Filed According to Law:



MARK RITCHIE  
Secretary of State

