

**EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER 97-4  
PROVIDING FOR ASSISTANCE TO  
LOCAL, COUNTY AND STATE OFFICIALS IN ACCORDANCE  
WITH THE MINNESOTA EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN**

I, ARNE H. CARLSON, 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, severe winter storms have repeatedly struck Minnesota and another storm resulting in blizzard conditions is forecast; and

WHEREAS, road crews are struggling to clear roads and keep them open, with many roads remaining impassable or only partially open; and

WHEREAS, local and county law enforcement agencies are having difficulty responding to emergency calls because of the poor road conditions; and


WHEREAS, a state of emergency has been declared and the Minnesota Emergency Operations Plan has been implemented;

NOW, THEREFORE, I hereby order that:

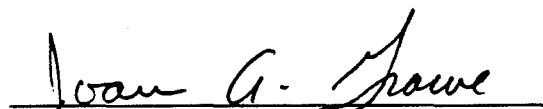
1. The Adjutant General of Minnesota order to state active duty on or about January 14, 1997, in the service of the state, such personnel and equipment of the military forces of the state as required, and for such a period of time as necessary, to assist and support civil authorities with snow removal, emergency response and other operations in accordance with the Minnesota Emergency Operations Plan.
2. The cost of subsistence, transportation, fuel, pay and allowances of said individuals shall be defrayed from the general fund of the state, as provided for in Minnesota Statutes 1996, sections 192.49, 192.51 and 192.52.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1996, section 4.035, subd. 2, this Order is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until such date as elements of the military forces of the state are no longer required or until rescinded by the proper authority.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand this fifteenth day of January, 1997.

  
ARNE H. CARLSON  
Governor

Filed According to Law:

  
JOAN ANDERSON GROWE  
Secretary of State

