

STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

DR 09-05

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME -- GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Severe ice storms that began on January 26, 2009, and continuing, caused the deaths of 14 Arkansans, as well as great damage to private property and public facilities in Arkansas; and

WHEREAS: Adverse circumstances have been brought to bear upon the citizens and public property within the State of Arkansas; and

WHEREAS: These political subdivisions require supplemental assistance from the State to recover from these losses;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MIKE BEEBE, Governor of the State of Arkansas, acting under the authority vested in me by Ark. Code Ann. §§ 12-75-101, *et seq.*, do hereby declare Baxter, Benton, Boone, Carroll, Clay, Cleburne, Conway, Craighead, Crawford, Cross, Franklin, Fulton, Greene, Independence, Izard, Jackson, Johnson, Lawrence, Logan, Madison, Marion, Mississippi, Newton, Poinsett, Pope, Randolph, Scott, Searcy, Sharp, Stone, Van Buren, and Washington Counties as disaster areas;

FURTHERMORE, I hereby declare that an emergency exists, as set forth in Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations – Part 390.23, to the extent that motor carriers providing direct emergency relief are exempted from Parts 390-399 of said Title and Code. This exemption shall remain in effect for the duration of the emergency or 30 days, whichever is less;

FURTHERMORE, I hereby invoke emergency executive powers vested in me under Section 8, Ark. Code Ann. §§ 12-75-101, *et seq.*, as amended, and suspend the provisions of regulating statutes prescribing procedures for conduct of the State Office of Purchasing, the Arkansas Building Authority, the State Office of Personnel Management, and all other State departments and agencies to render maximum assistance to the Arkansas Department of Emergency Management relative to any potential impediment to the rapid and orderly rendering of assistance to political subdivisions.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 4th day of February, in the Year of our Lord 2009.





MIKE BEEBE, GOVERNOR



CHARLIE DANIELS, SECRETARY OF STATE