

**EXECUTIVE ORDER**  
**19-08**

WHEREAS, I have been advised by the State Emergency Management Agency that ongoing and forecast severe storm systems have caused, or have the potential to cause, damage associated with tornadoes, high winds, hail, heavy rains, flooding and flash flooding in addition to prolonged inundation and ground failure impacting communities throughout the State of Missouri; and

WHEREAS, interruptions of public services are occurring, or anticipated to occur, as a result of the severe weather event that started on April 29, 2019, and are continuing; and

WHEREAS, the severe storm systems beginning on April 29, 2019 and continue have the potential to create a condition of distress and hazard to the safety, welfare, and property of the citizens of the State of Missouri beyond the capabilities of some local jurisdictions and other established agencies; and

WHEREAS, the State of Missouri will continue to be proactive where the health and safety of the citizens of Missouri are concerned; and

WHEREAS, the resources of the State of Missouri may be needed to assist affected jurisdictions and to help relieve the condition of distress and hazard to the safety and welfare of our fellow Missourians; and

WHEREAS, an invocation of the provisions of Sections 44.100 and 44.110, RSMo, is required to ensure the protection of the safety and welfare of the citizens of Missouri:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL L. PARSON, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Missouri, including Section 44.100 and 44.110, RSMo, do hereby declare that a State of Emergency exists in the State of Missouri and direct that the Missouri State Emergency Operations Plan be activated.

I further authorize the use of state agencies to provide assistance, as needed.

This order shall terminate on June 21, 2019, unless extended in whole or in part.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2019.



Michael L. Parson  
Governor

ATTEST:



John R. Ashcroft  
Secretary of State

