PROCLAMATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, On Saturday, April 9, 2011 and continuing, a severe weather system moved across portions of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, this storm system spawned severe weather to include tornadoes, wind, hail and severe thunderstorms causing serious damages and impacts to private and public property, including residences, businesses and infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, local officials and residents impacted by this severe weather need assistance to deal with the impacts of these storms; and

WHEREAS, surveys and reports forwarded by local officials in Buena Vista, Monona, Pocahontas and Sac counties indicate that state assistance will be needed to respond to and recover from the effects of these storms.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Terry E. Branstad, Governor of the State of Iowa, do hereby proclaim a state of disaster emergency for Buena Vista, Monona, Pocahontas and Sac counties in the State of Iowa, for the aforementioned reasons. This proclamation of disaster emergency authorizes the implementation of the state individual assistance grant program to assist eligible residents and minimize their hardship.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the Iowa to be affixed. Done at Des Moines, this 21st day of April in the year of our Lord Two thousand eleven.

TERRY E. BRANSTAD
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

MATTHEW SCHULTZ
SECRETARY OF STATE