PROCLAMATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, On Wednesday, May 25, 2011 releases from reservoirs on the upper Missouri River were increased due to above normal snow in the mountains and extraordinary rain that occurred throughout the upper Missouri River Basin; and

WHEREAS, historic flooding is forecast that will cause significant economic impacts as well as damage to critical infrastructure and residential property and

WHEREAS, predictions from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers indicate that major flooding is imminent, and

WHEREAS, surveys and reports forwarded by local officials in Fremont, Harrison, Mills, Monona, Pottawattamie and Woodbury counties indicate that state assistance will be needed to respond to and recover from the effects of this flood.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Terry E. Branstad, Governor of the State of Iowa, do hereby proclaim a state of disaster emergency for Fremont, Harrison, Mills, Monona, Pottawattamie and Woodbury 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 STATE OF IOWA TO BE AFFIXED. DONE AT DES MOINES THIS 5TH DAY OF JULY IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND ELEVEN.

TERRY E. BRANSTAD
GOVERNOR OF IOWA

ATTEST:  

MATT SCHULTZ
SECRETARY OF STATE