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 occurring, and is expected to continue to occur, causing significant economic impacts as well as damage to critical infrastructure and residential property; and

WHEREAS, on June 29, 2011 a Proclamation of Disaster Emergency was issued suspending length of stay and fee provisions in state parks, preserves and forest campgrounds for disaster victims; and

WHEREAS, on July 1, 2011 a Proclamation of Disaster Emergency was issued extending the initial proclamation referenced above; and

WHEREAS, on July 14, 2011 a Proclamation of Disaster Emergency was issued for Woodbury County authorizing the implementation of the State Individual Assistance Grant Program to assist eligible residents and minimize their hardship; and

WHEREAS, on July 31, 2011 a Proclamation of Disaster Emergency was issued extending all proclamations referenced above; and

WHEREAS, on August 30, 2011 a Proclamation of Disaster Emergency was issued extending all proclamations referenced above; and

WHEREAS, on September 29, 2011 a Proclamation of Disaster Emergency was issued extending all proclamations referenced above; and

WHEREAS, surveys and reports forwarded by local officials indicate there is an ongoing need for state assistance to respond to and recover from the effects of this flood; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned proclamations continue to be needed to provide ongoing support to those impacted by this long-term flooding event.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Terry E. Branstad, Governor of the State of Iowa, do hereby proclaim a state of disaster emergency to be extended until November 27, 2011 for the above mentioned reasons. This Proclamation of Disaster Emergency suspends length of stay and fee provisions in state parks, preserves and forest campgrounds for disaster victims statewide and extends the application deadline for the State Individual Assistance Grant Program for Woodbury County:

The following proclamations are hereby extended as provided in Iowa Code Section 29C.6(1) and renewed to the maximum extent permitted by law:
1. Proclamation of Disaster Emergency dated June 29, 2011, (suspending length of stay provisions in state parks and camping fees for disaster victims).
2. Proclamation of Disaster Emergency dated July 1, 2011 (extending the original proclamation referenced above).
3. Proclamation of Disaster Emergency dated July 14, 2011 (authorizing implementation of the State Individual Assistance Grant Program for Woodbury County).
4. Proclamation of Disaster Emergency dated July 31, 2011 (extending the proclamations referenced above).
5. Proclamation of Disaster Emergency dated August 30, 2011 (extending the proclamations referenced above).
6. Proclamation of Disaster Emergency dated September 29, 2011 (extending the proclamations referenced above).

The language of each proclamation of disaster emergency being renewed by this proclamation is in the original proclamations referenced above.

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 TWENTY EIGHTH DAY OF OCTOBER IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND ELEVEN.

TERRY E. BRANDSTAD
GOVERNOR OF IOWA

ATTEST:

MATT SCHULTZ
SECRETARY OF STATE