Governor's Executive Order Declaring a State of Emergency Because of Severe Weather.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER

WHEREAS, beginning on July 22, 1998, severe thunderstorms, flash flooding and debris flows have occurred and are continuing throughout the State of Utah; and

WHEREAS, these flash floods have caused damage to numerous private residences, public roads and bridges, agricultural lands, riverbank erosion and extensive debris in the river channels which is creating a hazard in Sanpete County and Summit County, Utah; and

WHEREAS, the flooding threat throughout the state is continuing; and

WHEREAS, immediate attention is necessary to alleviate the situation which threatens the safety, health and welfare of the citizens of Sanpete County and Summit County; and

WHEREAS, these conditions do create a disaster emergency within the intent of the Disaster Response and Recovery Act of 1981, and

NOW THEREFORE, I, Michael O. Leavitt, Governor of the State of Utah by virtue of the power vested in me by the constitution and the laws of the State of Utah,

DO HEREBY ORDER THAT: It is found, determined and declared that a "State of Emergency" exists due to the aforesaid severe thunderstorms and flooding in Sanpete and Summit Counties and such areas are declared to be disasters requiring aid, assistance and relief available pursuant to the provisions of state statutes, and the State Emergency Operations Plan, which is hereby activated.

In Testimony, Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Utah this 25th day of July, 1998.

(State Seal)

Michael O. Leavitt Governor

ATTEST:

Olene S. Walker Lt. Governor

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