

STATE OF INDIANA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT INDIANAPOLIS

EXECUTIVE ORDER 24-04

FOR: DECLARING A DISASTER EMERGENCY IN DELAWARE, JEFFERSON, & RANDOLPH COUNTIES DUE TO SEVERE WEATHER & TORNADIC ACTIVITY

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, Indiana Code § 10-14-3-12 provides that the Governor shall declare a disaster emergency by executive order if he determines a disaster involving widespread or severe damage, injury, or loss of life or property has occurred or is imminent;

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2024, severe weather and tornadic activity caused widespread and severe damage throughout Delaware, Jefferson, and Randolph counties; and

WHEREAS, this disaster resulted in severe injury; destruction of homes, businesses, infrastructure, and other structures; loss of power; downing of trees and power lines; and damage to or closure of many county, state, and federal roads;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Eric J. Holcomb, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Indiana, do hereby:

DECLARE that a state of disaster emergency exists in Delaware, Jefferson, and Randolph counties, which will be effective immediately and, pursuant to Indiana Code § 10-14-3-12, shall continue for thirty (30) days;

ORDER the Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS) and its Executive Director, having already begun implementation of the State Emergency Plan, to enlist the support of such other state agencies as are needed and also to provide needed emergency services to the counties mentioned in this executive order; and

ORDER the IDHS Executive Director to coordinate any and all necessary assistance with the appropriate federal, state, and local agencies.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I, Eric J. Holcomb, have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Indiana, on this 21st day of March, 2024.


Eric J. Holcomb
Governor of Indiana


ATTEST: Diego Morales
Secretary of State