

STATE OF INDIANA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
INDIANAPOLIS

Executive Order

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETINGS:

- WHEREAS,** 2014 is the 40th anniversary of the April 1974 Super Outbreak, still the largest tornado outbreak in the US; and
- WHEREAS,** the third largest tornado outbreak ever recorded in Indiana was as recent as November 17, 2013; and
- WHEREAS,** from February 29 through March 3 of 2012, Southern Indiana was devastated by hail, storms, straight line winds and powerful tornadoes that caused loss of life, resulting in a federal disaster declaration for several counties; and
- WHEREAS,** 2011 brought a record 72 tornadoes to Indiana, including 32 on April 19 and 26 on May 25, with both days alone exceeding the annual average of 21 tornadoes for Indiana; and
- WHEREAS,** the worst tornadoes often occur at night, such as the 2005 deadly tornado in Evansville, which points to the importance of Hoosiers having the ability to receive warnings 24 hours a day; and
- WHEREAS,** floods also pose significant threats at any time, as was the case with the record Indiana floods in January, June, and September 2008; and
- WHEREAS,** planning and preparedness help minimize the number of weather-related deaths and injuries;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael R. Pence, Governor of the State of Indiana, do hereby proclaim March 16-22, 2014 as

SEVERE WEATHER PREPAREDNESS WEEK

in the State of Indiana, and invite all citizens to duly note this occasion.

In Testimony Whereof, I hereto set my hand and cause to be affixed the Great Seal of State. Done at the City of Indianapolis, this 20th day of February in the year of our Lord 2014 and of the Independence of the United States 238.



BY THE GOVERNOR:

Michael R. Pence