STATE OF INDIANA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
INDIANAPOLIS

Executive Order

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, on January 26-28, 2009, Southern Indiana experienced a major ice storm shutting off power to tens of thousands of Hoosiers for weeks; and

WHEREAS, in February 2009, parts of Indiana experienced hurricane force winds from another winter storm, again cutting off power to thousands; and

WHEREAS, on February 1-2, 2011, Northwest Indiana experienced a severe blizzard with 2 feet of snow while Central Indiana narrowly missed a harsh ice storm; and

WHEREAS, early 2012 showed that winter weather preparedness is important after a late March snowstorm caught many by surprise; and

WHEREAS, Indiana has experienced winter storms of such magnitude that federal assistance was required in 2011, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005, 2003, 2000, 1999, 1998, 1995-1996, 1991, and 1978; and

WHEREAS, the Indiana Department of Homeland Security, American Red Cross, National Weather Service, other state partners, local officials, and emergency personnel work to warn, care for, and protect Hoosiers affected by the elements, clear the roads, and restore any disruption of utility services caused by storms. However, this can often take hours and, in some cases, days;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael R. Pence, Governor of the State of Indiana, do hereby proclaim November 17-23, 2013 as

WINTER 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 21st day of October in the year of our Lord 2013 and of the Independence of the United States 237.

BY THE GOVERNOR: _____