

STATE OF INDIANA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT INDIANAPOLIS

EXECUTIVE ORDER 15-08

FOR: **DECLARING A DISASTER EMERGENCY IN ADAMS, ALLEN, BENTON, BROWN, CLARK, FULTON, HUNTINGTON, JAY, JEFFERSON, JENNINGS, MARSHALL, NEWTON, PULASKI, SCOTT, VERMILLION, WABASH, WARREN, WASHINGTON, AND WELLS COUNTIES DUE TO SEVERE STORMS, TORNADOES AND FLOODING**

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETINGS.

WHEREAS, beginning on June 7, 2015 and continuing through July 29, 2015, severe weather consisting of torrential rainfall, and the resulting flooding, high winds and tornadoes caused extensive damage throughout Adams, Allen, Benton, Brown, Clark, Fulton, Huntington, Jay, Jefferson, Jennings, Marshall, Newton, Pulaski, Scott, Vermillion, Wabash, Warren, Washington, and Wells Counties;

WHEREAS, the storms included heavy rainfall which resulted in flash flooding in much of the State. In all, a total of 105 flash flood warnings and 23 tornado warnings were issued while 10 tornadoes rated EF0 or EF1 intensity caused damage to homes, businesses and public and private infrastructure;

WHEREAS, ten people died, residents had to be evacuated from their homes, U.S. and State highways and many local roads were closed and many homes, businesses and structures were damaged as a result of the storms and resulting flooding;

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

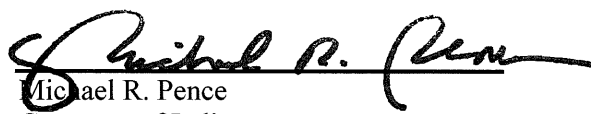
NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL R. PENCE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Indiana, do hereby:

DECLARE that a state of disaster emergency existed in Adams, Allen, Benton, Brown, Clark, Fulton, Huntington, Jay, Jefferson, Jennings, Marshall, Newton, Pulaski, Scott, Vermillion, Wabash, Warren, Washington, and Wells Counties.

ORDER the Executive Director of the Indiana Department of Homeland Security to continue to coordinate all necessary assistance with appropriate federal, state and local agencies.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I, Michael R. Pence, have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Indiana on this 31st day of August, 2015.


Michael R. Pence
Governor of Indiana

ATTEST: Connie Lawson
Secretary of State

