

## PROCLAMATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, storms, tornadoes, straight-line winds, and widespread, prolonged flooding occurred in the State of Iowa during the following periods: April 25, 2024 to April 27, 2024; May 20, 2024 to May 31, 2024; and since June 16, 2024.

WHEREAS, Proclamations of Disaster Emergency were issued on April 26, April 29, May 8, May 21, May 22, May 24, June 3, June 6, June 14, June 19, June 22, June 23, June 24, June 26, June 28, and July 3, 2024 which have determined that financial assistance is essential to meet disaster-related necessary expenses or serious needs of individuals or families adversely affected by a major disaster that cannot be otherwise adequately met from other means of assistance.

**WHEREAS**, Presidential Disaster Declaration FEMA DR-4779-IA was issued for severe storms and tornadoes occurring on April 26-27, 2024 in Clarke, Harrison, Mills, Polk, Pottawattamie, Ringgold, Shelby, and Union Counties.

WHEREAS, Presidential Disaster Declaration FEMA DR-4784-IA was issued for severe storms occurring on May 20-31in Adair, Adams, Cedar, Jasper, Montgomery, Polk, and Story Counties.

WHEREAS, Presidential Disaster Declaration FEMA DR-4796-IA was issued for severe storms, flooding, straight-line winds, and tornadoes occurring on June 16, 2024 and continuing in Buena Vista, Cherokee, Clay, Emmet, Lyon, O'Brien, Plymouth, Sioux, and Woodbury Counites.

**WHEREAS**, the counties covered by Presidential Disaster Declarations FEMA DR-4779-IA, FEMA DR-4784-IA and FEMA DR-4796-IA can apply for FEMA Individual Assistance programs.

WHEREAS reports forwarded to the Iowa Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management by the emergency management coordinator within the affected counties indicate that state individual assistance pursuant to Iowa Code § 29C.20A and Iowa Admin. Code 605-11.2 (1) is needed to assist certain individuals and families adversely affected by the disaster who cannot be helped by other means of financial assistance and for whom federal assistance under the Stafford Act does not adequately meet the needs of the citizens in the disaster area; and

WHEREAS, these conditions threaten the public peace, health, and safety of citizens of the State of Iowa and have damaged and destroyed public and private property. Because of this, they provide legal justification for the issuance of a Proclamation of a State of Disaster Emergency pursuant to Iowa Code § 29C.6 (1).

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KIMBERLY K. REYNOLDS, Governor of the State of Iowa, by the power and authority vested in me by the Iowa Constitution Art. IV, §§ 1, 8 and Iowa Code § 29C.6 (1), Iowa Code §16.57B(3) and all other applicable laws, do hereby proclaim a STATE OF DISASTER EMERGENCY for Adair, Adams, Buena Vista, Cedar, Cherokee, Clarke, Clay,

Emmet, Harrison, Jasper, Lyon, Mills, Montgomery, O'Brien, Plymouth, Polk, Pottawattamie, Ringgold, Shelby, Sioux, Story, Union, and Woodbury Counties and for any other county hereinafter that is subject to a Presidential Disaster Declaration related to any of the abovementioned disasters which allows that county to apply for federal individual assistance programs and do hereby **ORDER** and **DIRECT** the following:

**SECTION ONE.** I temporarily suspend the provisions of Iowa Code §16.57B(4) prescribing homeowners to register for the disaster case advocacy program established in Iowa Code §29C.20B before consideration for a forgivable loan to repair or rehabilitate a disaster affected-home.

**SECTION TWO.** I temporarily suspend the provisions of Iowa Code §16.57B(5)(b) prescribing referral by a disaster case manager before Iowa Finance Authority makes a forgivable loan to repair or rehabilitate a disaster affected-home.

**SECTION THREE.** I direct the Iowa Finance Authority to receive applications directly from eligible homeowners for forgivable loans for the repair or rehabilitation of existing homes in such counties without a referral or prior registration as provided in Iowa Admin. Code 265-29.4 (1)(a).

**SECTION FOUR.** Upon approval of any forgivable loan application, Iowa Finance Authority may disburse money in the Disaster Recovery Housing Assistance Fund for such loan pursuant to Iowa Code §29C.6 and §16.57B(3)(a).

**SECTION FIVE.** All other provisions of the Proclamations of Disaster Emergency previously issued as a result of the above-described severe weather and flooding shall remain in effect. This state of disaster emergency shall be effective July 15, 2024, shall continue for thirty (30) days, and shall expire on August 14, 2024, unless sooner terminated or extended in writing by me. Iowa Code § 29C.6(6).



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SUBSCRIBED MY NAME AND CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF IOWA TO BE AFFIXED AT DES MOINES, IOWA THIS TWELFTH DAY OF JULY IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND

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GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

PAUL D. PATE SECRETARY OF STATE