  
**State of Iowa**  
**Executive Department**  
IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF IOWA

**PROCLAMATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY**

**WHEREAS**, on March 19, 2025, and continuing thereafter, a severe winter storm system affected the state of Iowa; and

**WHEREAS**, this winter storm system caused severe weather, including damaging winds, straight-line winds, mixed precipitation, areas of heavy snowfall and blizzard conditions resulting in significant damage to public and private property, power outages resulting from downed power lines and poles and vegetative debris; and

**WHEREAS**, Crawford, Harrison, Monona, Shelby and Woodbury Counties suffered significant damage from this event; and

**WHEREAS**, reports forwarded to the Iowa Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management by the emergency management coordinators and others in the affected counties indicate that local resources and capabilities have been exhausted and that state assistance and resources are needed to respond to and recover from the effects of this event; 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 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), and all other applicable laws, do hereby proclaim a **STATE OF DISASTER EMERGENCY** for Crawford, Harrison, Monona, Shelby and Woodbury Counties and do hereby **ORDER** and **DIRECT** the following:

**SECTION ONE.** As required by Iowa Code § 29C.6 (1), (10) and 42 U.S.C. § 5170 in cases of Presidential Disaster Declarations, this Proclamation of Disaster Emergency activates the disaster response and recovery aspects of the Iowa Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management's Iowa Emergency Response Plan and those additional response plans applicable to the counties affected by this disaster and authorizes the use and deployment of all available state resources, supplies, equipment, and materials as are reasonably necessary to assist those citizens located in the disaster counties.

**SECTION TWO.** I temporarily suspend the regulatory provisions of Iowa Code § 321.449 pertaining to hours of service for disaster repair crews and drivers delivering goods and services while responding to disaster sites during the duration of this disaster, subject to these conditions:

- A. Nothing contained in this proclamation shall be construed as an exemption from the controlled substances and alcohol use and testing requirements under 49 CFR Part 382, the commercial drivers' license requirements under 49 CFR Part 383, the financial

responsibility requirements of 49 CFR Part 387, or any other portion of the Code of Federal Regulations not specifically identified in this proclamation.

- B. No motor carrier operating under the terms of this proclamation shall require or allow a fatigued or ill driver to operate a motor vehicle. A driver who informs a carrier that he or she needs immediate rest shall be given at least ten consecutive hours off duty before the driver is required to return to service.
- C. Upon the request of a driver, a commercial motor carrier operating under this proclamation must give a driver at least thirty-four (34) consecutive hours off when the driver has been on duty for more than seventy (70) hours during any eight consecutive days.
- D. Motor carriers that have an out-of-service order in effect may not take advantage of the relief from regulations that this declaration provides under title 49 CFR § 390.23.
- E. Upon the expiration of the effective date of this proclamation, or when a driver has been relieved of all duty and responsibility to provide direct assistance to the emergency effort, a driver that has had at least thirty-four (34) consecutive hours off duty shall be permitted to start his or her on-duty status hours and 60/70 hour clock at zero.

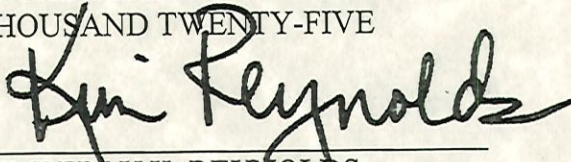
**SECTION THREE.** I temporarily suspend the regulatory provisions of Iowa Code §§ 321.463(6) (a) and (b) and 321E.29 and Iowa Admin. Code 761-511, to the extent those provisions restrict the movement of loads related to disaster repairs on all highways within Iowa, excluding the interstate system, and require a permit to transfer such loads, when such loads:

- F. Do not exceed a maximum of 90,000 pounds gross weight,
- G. Do not exceed by more than twelve and one-half percent (12.5%) the maximum axle weight limit determined under the non-primary highway maximum gross weight table in Iowa Code § 321.463(6) (b),
- H. Do not exceed the legal maximum axle weight limit of 20,000 pounds, and
- I. Comply with posted weight limits on roads and bridges.

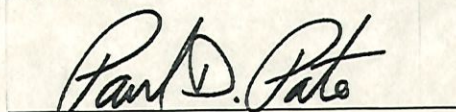
**SECTION FOUR.** This state of disaster emergency shall be effective immediately, shall continue for fourteen (14) days, and shall expire on April 3, 2025, unless sooner terminated or extended in writing by me. Iowa Code § 29C.6(1).



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 TWENTIETH DAY OF MARCH  
IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO  
THOUSAND TWENTY-FIVE

  
KIMBERLY K. REYNOLDS  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

  
PAUL D. PATE  
SECRETARY OF STATE