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EXECUTIVE ORDER 13-01

SECRETARY OF STATE COMMISSIONS DIVISION

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Safety, created pursuant to Article IV, Section 48 of the Missouri Constitution and Chapter 650, RSMo, is responsible for providing coordination between local, state, and federal agencies in regard to public safety and law enforcement programs; and

WHEREAS, the State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA), established pursuant to Section 44.020, RSMo, is a division of the Department of Public Safety and responsible for assisting federal, state, local and faith-based activities related to emergency functions by coordinating response, recovery, planning and mitigation; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Homeland Security, established within the Department of Public Safety, is responsible for coordinating activities to promote unity of effort among federal, state, local, private sector, and citizen activities related to emergency preparedness and homeland security; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Safety oversees the coordinated emergency response to natural and man-made disasters on behalf of the State of Missouri and coordinates emergency response planning and preparedness through SEMA and the Office of Homeland Security using an all-hazard approach; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Health and Senior Services, established pursuant to Chapter 192, RSMo, is responsible for public health and aging issues; and

WHEREAS, the Center for Emergency Response and Terrorism is located within the Department of Health and Senior Services to coordinate emergency response and preparedness among public health agencies relating to terrorism, natural disasters, and pandemic; and

WHEREAS, transferring the Center for Emergency Response and Terrorism's response, planning, and preparedness responsibilities to the Department of Public Safety will promote coordination and consistency among emergency response agencies; and

WHEREAS, I am committed to prudently consolidating executive branch operations to ensure that the state delivers vital services in the most efficient and effective manner possible.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JEREMIAH W. (JAY) NIXON, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Missouri, do hereby order the Department of Health and Senior Services and the Department of Public Safety to cooperate to:

- Transfer all the authority, powers, duties, functions, records, personnel, property, contracts, budgets, matters pending, and other pertinent vestiges of all emergency response, planning, and preparedness responsibilities within the Center for Emergency Response and Terrorism from the Department of Health and Senior Services to the Department of Public Safety, by Type I transfer, as defined under the Reorganization Act of 1974;
- 2. Develop mechanisms and processes necessary to effectively transfer these duties and functions to the Department of Public Safety; and
- 3. Take the steps necessary to maintain compliance with federal requirements so as not to jeopardize federal financial participation with this transfer.

This Order shall become effective no sooner than August 28, 2013, unless disapproved within sixty days of its submission to the First Regular Session of the Ninety-Seventh General Assembly.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, on this 4th day of February, 2013.

Jeremiah W (Jay) Nixon Governor

ATTEST:

Jason Kander Secretary of State