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EXECUTIVE ORDER 13-05

SECRETARY OF STATE COMMISSIONS DIVISION

WHEREAS, the State of Missouri is being impacted by a severe winter storm, starting on February 20, 2013 and continuing, that is causing or is forecast to cause heavy snow, sleet, freezing rain and ice across the state; and

WHEREAS, hazardous travel conditions and utility interruptions are expected during the pendency of this storm; and

WHEREAS, this winter weather event has the potential to create a condition of distress and hazard to the safety, welfare, and property of the citizens of the State of Missouri beyond the capabilities of some local jurisdictions, and other established agencies; and

WHEREAS, the State will continue to be proactive where the health and safety of the citizens of Missouri are concerned; and

WHEREAS, the resources of the State of Missouri may be needed to assist affected jurisdictions and to help relieve the condition of distress and hazard to the safety and welfare of our fellow Missourians; and

WHEREAS, an invocation of the provisions of Sections 44.100 and 44.110, RSMo, will be required to ensure the protection of the safety and welfare of the citizens of Missouri.

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, including Sections 44.100 and 44.110, RSMo, do hereby declare that a State of Emergency exists in the State of Missouri. I do hereby direct that the Missouri State Emergency Operations Plan be activated.

I further authorize the use of state agencies to provide assistance, as needed.

This order shall terminate on March 21, 2013, unless extended in whole or in part.



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 21st day of February, 2013.

Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon Governor

ATTEST:

Jason Kander Secretary of State