



THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION

WHEREAS: In the first two months of 2020, the state of Georgia received more than eighteen inches of rain, not including recent storms which have caused extensive flooding in many Georgia counties; and

WHEREAS: The National Weather Service has issued flood watches and warnings along waterways, creeks, and tributaries in the state of Georgia; and

WHEREAS: Due to the extensive flooding, Georgia's network of roads and bridges may be rendered impassable in the affected counties, isolating residences and persons from access to essential public services; and

WHEREAS: Assistance from the state is necessary to provide public safety, protect private property, and restore social and economic welfare of affected counties; and

WHEREAS: Georgia law vests the Governor in O.C.G.A. § 38-3-51 with the authority to bring emergency situations under control by issuing orders, rules, and regulations to protect the safety and welfare of the public.

NOW THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY

ORDERED: That a State of Emergency exists in the following Georgia counties: Appling, Atkinson, Bacon, Baker, Baldwin, Ben Hill, Berrien, Bibb, Bleckley, Brantley, Brooks, Bryan, Bulloch, Burke, Butts, Calhoun, Camden, Candler, Carroll, Charlton, Chatham, Chattahoochee, Clay, Clayton, Clinch, Cobb, Coffee, Colquitt, Columbia, Cook, Coweta, Crawford, Crisp, Decatur, DeKalb, Dodge, Dooly, Dougherty, Douglas, Early, Echols, Effingham, Emanuel, Evans, Fayette, Fulton, Glascock, Glynn, Grady, Greene, Hancock, Haralson, Harris, Heard, Henry, Houston, Irwin, Jasper, Jeff Davis, Jefferson, Jenkins, Johnson, Jones, Lamar, Lanier, Laurens, Lee, Liberty, Long, Lowndes, Macon, Marion, McDuffie, McIntosh, Meriwether, Miller, Mitchell, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Muscogee, Newton, Peach, Pierce, Pike, Pulaski, Putnam, Quitman, Randolph, Richmond, Rockdale, Schley, Screven, Seminole, Spalding, Stewart, Sumter, Talbot, Taliaferro,

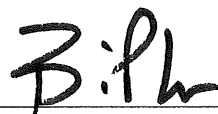
Tattnall, Taylor, Telfair, Terrell, Thomas, Tift, Toombs, Treutlen, Troup, Turner, Twiggs, Upson, Ware, Warren, Washington, Wayne, Webster, Wheeler, Wilcox, Wilkinson, and Worth.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That all resources of the state of Georgia be made available to assist in preparation, response and recovery activities throughout the affected area, and the Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency activate the Georgia Emergency Operations Plan.

This Executive Order shall be valid for a period of thirty (30) days, beginning on March 5, 2020 and ending at 11:59 pm on April 4, 2020.

This 5th day of March 2020 at 3:56 PM.



GOVERNOR