

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF IOWA

PROCLAMATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on February 25, 2024, the border bridge located in Lansing Iowa on IA HWY 9 that connects to WISCONSIN HWY 35 experienced a sudden structural failure due to an external cause. This failure has caused the bridge to be closed to all traffic until repairs can be completed; and

WHEREAS, Allamakee and Clayton Counties suffered significant impacts from this event; and

WHEREAS, Iowa Department of Transportation officials in the counties affected by this disaster have conducted surveys, assessments and inspections which indicate that federal-aid routes and a bridge have sustained severe damage as the result of this event; and

WHEREAS, federal law as set forth in 23 U.S.C. § 120 (e) and 23 CFR § 668.101 authorizes emergency relief funding for the repair or reconstruction of federal-aid routes that have suffered severe damage as a result of this sudden structural failure, if the governor of the affected state issues a proclamation of disaster emergency in respect to those damages; and

WHEREAS, these conditions threaten the public peace, health, and safety of citizens of the State of Iowa and have damaged and destroyed public 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), and all other applicable laws, do hereby proclaim a STATE OF DISASTER EMERGENCY for Allamakee and Clayton Counties and do hereby ORDER and DIRECT the following:

SECTION ONE. I hereby declare this Proclamation of Disaster Emergency to restore essential traffic and for the specific purpose of obtaining federal emergency relief funding for federal-aid routes in Allamakee and Clayton Counties. 23 U.S.C. § 120 (e) and 23 CFR § 668.101.

SECTION TWO. This state of disaster emergency shall be effective immediately, shall continue for thirty (30) days, and shall expire on March 30, 2024, unless sooner terminated or extended in writing by me. Iowa Code § 29C.6 (1).



UL'D. PATE SECRETARY OF STATE

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 TWENTY-NINTH DAY OF FEBRUARY IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-FOUR.

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