



THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

- WHEREAS:** The severe winter storm that began to impact the state on February 10 and prompted the declaration of a State of Emergency in 91 counties throughout Georgia continues to affect several counties which received substantial damage due to the snow and ice; and
- WHEREAS:** Due to the severity of the storm, significant recovery efforts continue in the following counties: Baldwin, Hancock, Jefferson, Johnson, Screven and Washington; and
- WHEREAS:** The assistance of the government of the State of Georgia may be necessary to protect the public health, preserve the safety of the public, keep property damage to a minimum and to restore the social and economic welfare of the citizens of this State; and
- WHEREAS:** In light of these circumstances and in conjunction with the authority vested in the Governor by virtue of Article 3, Section 38-3-51, of the Georgia Emergency Management Act of 1981, as amended to promulgate reasonable orders, rules and regulations as are deemed necessary to protect public health, safety and welfare, and to bring the emergency situation under control within the acknowledged limitations of the powers of the Governor

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

- ORDERED:** That State of Emergency for the specific counties listed above be extended until midnight, February 28, 2014.

IT IS FURTHER

- ORDERED:** That to facilitate repairs to power distribution infrastructure the Georgia Departments of Transportation and Public Safety shall take necessary action to ensure the expeditious movement of utility vehicles, equipment and personnel through the State of Georgia, with specific emphasis on removal of debris and any other necessary efforts to address power outages.

IT IS FURTHER

- ORDERED:** That personnel and equipment resources of the State of Georgia be made available to assist in response and recovery activities that may be undertaken in the above mentioned counties, and that the Georgia Emergency Management Agency activates the Georgia Emergency Operations Plan.

This 24 day of February, 2014 at 5 AM/PM.

Nathan Deal

GOVERNOR