STATE *of* MINNESOTA

Proclamation

PROCLAMATION FOR SPECIAL SESSION 2013

WHEREAS: The Minnesota Constitution allows the Governor to call a special session of the Legislature on "extraordinary occasions;" and

WHEREAS: From June 20, 2013 through June 26, 2013, severe storms and flooding occurred, causing historic damage to the Counties of Benton, Big Stone, Douglas, Faribault, Fillmore, Freeborn, Grant, Houston, McLeod, Hennepin, Morrison, Pope, Sibley, Stearns, Stevens, Swift, Traverse, Wilkin; and

WHEREAS: The Honorable Barack Obama, President of the United States of America, declared that a major disaster exists in the State of Minnesota, and granted federal aid for public infrastructure; and

WHEREAS: I have exercised my emergency powers under existing law to direct agency resources to affected individuals and local governments; however, the immediate needs in the disaster areas far exceed available federal and state resources; and

WHEREAS: I have consulted with legislative leaders and have reached an agreement that immediate action by the State Legislature is necessary to provide assistance and aid to impacted local governments, business, and individuals; and

WHEREAS: The people of Minnesota are best served by a one-day special session with the limited agenda of passing a 2013 Disaster Relief Appropriations Bill; and

WHEREAS: Elected leaders of the Legislature have agreed upon an agenda and procedure to complete a special session within one legislative day.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby summon you, members of the Legislature, to convene in Special Session on Monday, September 9, 2013, at 10:00 a.m. at the State Capitol in Saint Paul, Minnesota.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 6th day of September.

GOVERNOR

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