State of New Hampshire

By His Excellency

Craig R. Benson, Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 2003-9

AN ORDER DECLARING A LIMITED STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, torrential rains associated with severe storms within the State have already caused damage to businesses and homes and washed out roads; and

WHEREAS, damage has forced the closure of Route 12, Route 63, and at least one bridge; and

WHEREAS, other roads and private property have been damaged; and

WHEREAS, I have consulted with the Bureau of Emergency Management and Public Safety Officials to discuss a course of action;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to declare a State of Emergency to put the full resources of the State at the disposal of Emergency Management officials at the State and local levels in the areas affected pursuant to State Statute RSA 21-P:34-48;

NOW THEREFORE, I, CRAIG R. BENSON, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, by the authority vested in me by Part II, Article 41 of the New Hampshire Constitution, and pursuant to RSA 21-P:34-48, do hereby order that:

- 1) A limited State of Emergency is declared in New Hampshire as a result of flooding due to torrential rains associated with the severe storms within the State:
- 2) The full resources of the State are placed at the disposal of Emergency Management officials at the State and local levels in the areas affected pursuant to State Statute RSA 21-P:34-48;
- 3) The Bureau of Emergency Management will activate the State Emergency Operations Plan:
- 4) The Bureau of Emergency Management shall apply for federal assistance under the Stafford Act;
- 5) The emergency declaration will be in effect until the emergency conditions have ended

NOW THEREFORE, I, CRAIG R. BENSON, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, by the authority vested in me by Part II, Article 41 of the New Hampshire Constitution, and pursuant to RSA 4:45 and RSA 21-P:34-48, do hereby order that:

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Given at the Executive Chambers in Concord this eleventh day of August, in the year two

GOVERNOR OF NÈW HAMPSHÆE