WHEREAS, a severe winter storm has impacted South Carolina, resulting in the accumulation of large amounts of snow and ice throughout the State during January 24, and January 25, 2000; and

WHEREAS, the effects of this storm required assistance for stranded motorists, medical emergencies, and logistical support to local governments; and

WHEREAS, this severe weather downed trees, blocked roads, created power outages, and isolated many citizens; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the severity of this storm has surpassed the capability of local governments to properly respond to and recover from its effects.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the powers conferred upon me by the Constitution and Laws of the State of South Carolina, I hereby place the South Carolina National Guard on State duty, and order the utilization of the National Guard's personnel with appropriate equipment, and all required State agencies to take necessary and prudent actions to assist the citizens of this State in their recovery efforts.


JIM HODGES
GOVERNOR

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