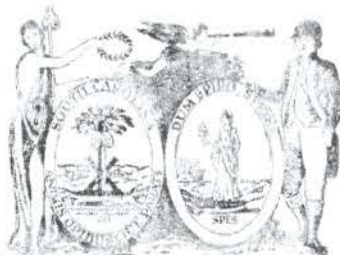


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**WHEREAS**, the State of Florida has been besieged by wildfires due to drought and has requested assistance from the State of South Carolina under the terms of the Emergency Management Assistance Compact, as provided in Section 25-9-420 of the South Carolina Code of Laws; and

**WHEREAS**, Florida civil authorities have specifically requested the support of the South Carolina National Guard aviation units; and

**WHEREAS**, the South Carolina National Guard possesses the unique and immediately available capability to fly fire suppression missions.


**NOW THEREFORE**, pursuant to the powers conferred upon me by the Constitution and Laws of the State of South Carolina, I hereby direct the Adjutant General to place on state duty and utilize the South Carolina National Guard personnel and equipment requested through the Emergency Management Division and in consultation with the Governor's Office, to fulfill the mission in support of the State of Florida during this time of emergency in accordance with the Emergency Management Assistance Compact.



GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS 9<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2007.

  
MARK SANFORD  
Governor

ATTEST:

  
MARK HAMMOND  
SECRETARY OF STATE