STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER 2024-06

WHEREAS, The State of South Dakota has been impacted by severe storms, heavy rainfall, flooding, and straight line winds; and

WHEREAS, These severe storms, heavy rainfall, flooding, and straight line winds caused significant damage to utility and road infrastructure and caused unexpected costs for debris removal and road repairs; and,

WHEREAS, Homeowners and businesses sustained significant damage, including complete loss, to their property from the flooding; and,

WHEREAS, The flooding interrupted the normal flow of emergency services, mail, and commerce; and,

WHEREAS, Substantial state, tribal, and local resources have been committed to help alleviate and respond to the severe storms, heavy rainfall, flooding, and straight line winds; and,

WHEREAS, Federal, state, tribal, and local officials have assessed and verified the damage to public infrastructure, individual homes, and businesses;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kristi Noem, Governor of the State of South Dakota, under provisions of SDCL 34-48A, otherwise known as the Emergency Management law, do hereby declare a disaster to exist in the counties of Aurora, Bennett, Bon Homme, Brule, Buffalo, Charles Mix, Clay, Davison, Douglas, Gregory, Hand, Hanson, Hutchinson, Jackson, Lake, Lincoln, McCook, Miner, Minnehaha, Moody, Sanborn, Tripp, Turner, Union, and Yankton.

IT IS FURTHER DECLARED, federal resources are needed to help alleviate the impacts of severe storms, heavy rainfall, flooding, and straight line winds for local governments in South Dakota.

Dated in Pierre, South Dakota this 26th day of July 2024.

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Kristi Noem, Governor

Attest:

Monae L. Johnson, Secretary of State