

1 State of Montana
2 Office of the Governor



5 Executive Order No. 29-96

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10 EXECUTIVE ORDER PROCLAIMING AN EMERGENCY
11 TO EXIST ON THE BLACKFEET RESERVATION,
12 AND IN THE TOWN OF BROWNING AND GLACIER COUNTY

13 WHEREAS, cold temperatures, high winds and drifting snow have combined to
14 create severe winter storm conditions; and

15 WHEREAS, blizzards and drifting snow have caused road closures, disruption
16 of essential services, power outages, and other serious problems on and around the
17 reservation; and

18 WHEREAS, these severe winter conditions have caused life threatening
19 situations and imminent threat to property, lack of immediate medical care and food
20 shortages; and

21 WHEREAS, the Blackfeet Tribal Business Council has passed an Executive
22 Committee Resolution, No. EX102-97(A) declaring a emergency to exist on the
23 Blackfeet Reservation; and

24 WHEREAS, the Town of Browning has declared an emergency, Resolution No.
25 436, to exist in the Town of Browning; and

26 WHEREAS, Glacier County has declared an emergency, Resolution 96-26, to
27 exist in Glacier County; and

28 WHEREAS, the availability and utilization of all necessary state government
services, equipment and supplies including the Montana National Guard under this
proclamation will further the efforts to protect health and safety and to preserve the
lives, property and resources of the people of the State of Montana; and

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WHEREAS, a proclamation of an emergency authorizes the Governor under Section 10-3-104(2)(a), MCA, to suspend Section 2-18-501, MCA, to allow necessary expenditures for food and lodging for activated National Guard and State Disaster and Emergency Services Division personnel responding to this emergency; and

WHEREAS, a proclamation of an emergency authorizes the Governor under Section 10-3-311, MCA, to expend funds from the general fund to meet contingencies and needs arising from these conditions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARC RACICOT, Governor of the State of Montana, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Governor under the Constitution of the State of Montana, Title 10, Chapter 3, MCA, and under other applicable statutes, do hereby declare that an emergency exists on the Blackfeet Reservation and in the Town of Browning and Glacier County.

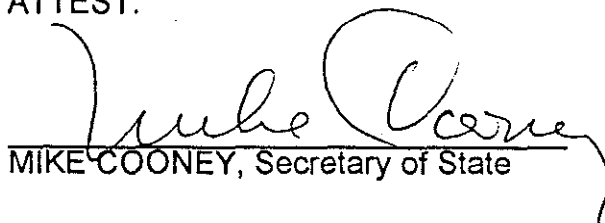
This Order is effective immediately.

Given under my hand and the GREAT SEAL of the State of Montana, this 27th day of November, 1996.



MARC RACICOT, Governor

ATTEST:



MIKE COONEY, Secretary of State