STATE OF ARKANSAS

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

DR 16-08

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME -- GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Severe storms and flooding that began March 8, 2016, and continuing, caused great damage to private property and public facilities in various jurisdictions in Arkansas; and

WHEREAS: Adverse circumstances have been brought to bear upon the citizens and public properties within the state; and

WHEREAS: These political subdivisions require supplemental assistance from the state to recover from these losses;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ASA HUTCHINSON, Governor of the State of Arkansas, acting under the authority vested in me by Ark. Code Ann. §§ 12-75-101, *et seq.*, do hereby amend proclamation, DR 16-06 to include Columbia, Prairie and Scott Counties as disaster areas;

FURTHERMORE, I hereby invoke emergency executive powers vested in me by Ark. Code Ann. §§ 12-75-101, *et seq.*, as amended, and suspend the provisions of regulating statutes prescribing procedures for conduct of the State Office of Purchasing, the Arkansas Building Authority, the State Office of Personnel Management, and all other state departments and agencies to render maximum assistance to the Arkansas Department of Emergency Management relative to any potential impediment to the rapid and orderly rendering of assistance to political subdivisions.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 14th day of March, in the year of our Lord 2016.

Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Attest:

Mark Martin, Secretary Of State