EXECUTIVE ORDER TO PROVIDE FUNDING, AS AUTHORIZED BY ARK. CODE ANN. §§ 12-75-114, AS AMENDED, FROM THE GOVERNOR'S DISASTER FUND, EMERGENCY RESPONSE FUND

WHEREAS: Severe storms, flooding and tornadoes began May 8, 2015 and continued with such severity that action is warranted to alleviate hardship and suffering; and

WHEREAS: The Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) system is a congressionally ratified organization that provides form and structure to interstate mutual aid. Through EMAC, a disaster impacted state can request and receive assistance from other member states quickly and efficiently; and

WHEREAS: Severe storms, flooding and tornadoes have caused an emergency situation beginning May 4, 2015 and continuing with such severity that the EMAC was activated and action was warranted to alleviate hardship and suffering from emergency response support in the State of Texas; 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 Executive Order 15-11, dated May 15, 2015 to direct additional funds in the amount of $25,000.00 to be obligated from the Emergency Response Fund of the Governor’s Disaster Fund to be used at the discretion of the Director of the Arkansas Department of Emergency Management to defray both program and administrative costs. All EMAC requests are reimbursable from requesting states and funds will be returned to the Emergency Response Fund once received.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 30th day of July, in the year of our Lord 2015.

Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Mark Martin, Secretary Of State