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 and flooding of historic proportions that began May 21, 2019, and continuing, with such severity that action is warranted to alleviate the hardship and suffering of Arkansans; and

WHEREAS: Great hardship was wrought upon the citizens and public property within State of 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 executive order DR 19-05, dated May 24, 2019, to authorize funds from the Governor's Disaster Fund, in the amount of $100,000 to be obligated from the Emergency Response Fund. Such funds will be used at the discretion of the Director of the Arkansas Department of Emergency Management to defray both program and administrative costs; and

FURTHERMORE, I hereby invoke emergency executive powers vested in me under 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 these 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 28th day of May, in the year of our Lord 2019.

Asa Hutchinson, Governor

John Thurston, Secretary Of State