

STATE OF MINNESOTA

Executive Department



Governor Tim Walz

Emergency Executive Order 19-05

Declaring a Peacetime Emergency and Providing Assistance to Stranded Motorists

I, Tim Walz, Governor of the State of Minnesota, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and applicable statutes, issue the following Executive Order:

On February 23, 2019 a powerful winter storm with heavy snowfall and strong winds has created blizzard conditions in Minnesota, closing roads and threatening public safety.

These dangerous driving conditions resulted in many stranded vehicles, placing lives and property at risk. The resources of affected local and county governments are inadequate to meet the demands caused by these severe winter weather conditions.

The Freeborn and Steele County Sheriffs requested that the Minnesota National Guard assist with the rescue of stranded motorists and provide local armories as emergency shelters.

For these reasons, I declare a peacetime emergency and order that:

1. The Adjutant General order to state active duty on February 23, 2019 the people, equipment, and facilities needed to provide assistance throughout Minnesota.
2. The Adjutant General is authorized to procure the goods and services needed to accomplish the mission.
3. The costs of this assistance shall be paid from the general fund as allowed by Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 192.52.

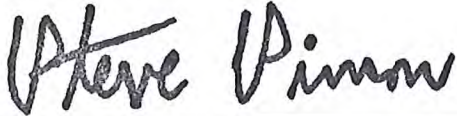
This Executive Order and declaration of peacetime emergency is effective immediately under Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 4.035, subdivision 2, and remains in effect until the emergency conditions caused by the winter storm subside or it expires in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 12.31, subdivision 2.

Signed on February 24, 2019.



Tim Walz
Governor

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Steve Simon
Secretary of State

