

**STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
EXECUTIVE ORDER 2023-08**

WHEREAS, The State of South Dakota has been impacted by rapid snow melt causing moderate to major flooding along the James, Big Sioux, and Minnesota River basins; and

WHEREAS, This rapid snow melt and subsequent flooding caused damage to road infrastructure and caused unexpected costs for emergency and permanent road repairs; and,

WHEREAS, The flooding interrupted the normal flow of emergency, school, mail, and commerce traffic; and,

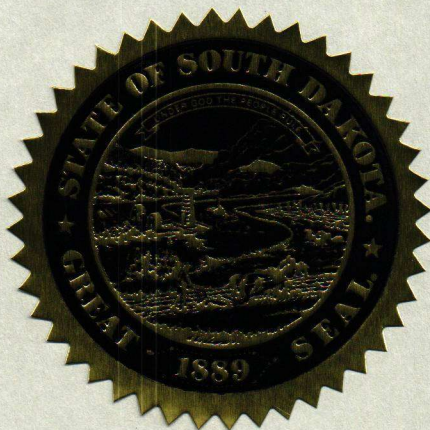
WHEREAS, State and local resources have been committed to help alleviate and respond to the effects of flooding; and,

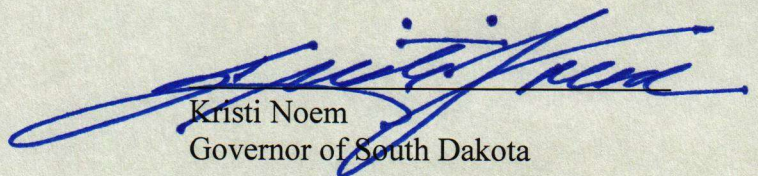
WHEREAS, Federal, State, and local officials have assessed the damage to public infrastructure and have verified the damage reported by local governments;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kristi Noem, Governor of the State of South Dakota, under provisions of SDCL 34-48A, otherwise known as the Emergency Management law, do hereby declare a disaster to exist in the counties of Brown, Clark, Codington, Day, Faulk, Grant, Hand, Marshall, Potter, Roberts, and the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate of the Lake Traverse Reservation.

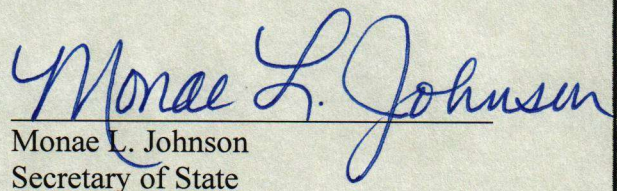
IT IS FURTHER DECLARED, federal resources are needed to help alleviate the impacts of flooding for local governments in South Dakota.

Dated in Pierre, South Dakota this 2nd day of June 2023.




Kristi Noem
Governor of South Dakota

ATTEST:


Monae L. Johnson
Secretary of State