

**STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
EXECUTIVE ORDER 2026-07**

**Whereas,** The State of South Dakota was impacted by severe thunderstorms, straight line winds, and tornadoes; and,

**Whereas,** This storm caused widespread debris and infrastructure damage and resulted in power outages and roads and railroads to be impassable; and,

**Whereas,** This storm has caused significant damage to both public and private property; and,

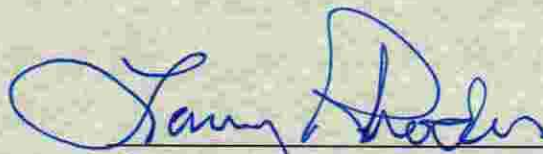
**Whereas,** State, tribal, and local governments have been working diligently to clean up debris to ensure the safety of the public; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Larry Rhoden, Governor of the State of South Dakota, under provisions of SDCL 34-48A, otherwise known as the Emergency Management law, do hereby declare a state of emergency to exist in South Dakota.

**IT IS FURTHER DECLARED,** That technical resources available to state government since June 29th are to be utilized in coordination with the Department of Public Safety, Office of Emergency Management, in support of county and tribal governments to restore normal travel conditions and emergency services.

Dated in Pierre, South Dakota this 1st Day of July, 2026.



  
Larry Rhoden  
Governor of South Dakota

ATTEST:

  
Monae L. Johnson  
Secretary of State