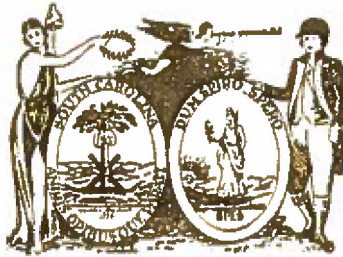


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WHEREAS, the State of South Carolina experienced historic flooding in October of 2015, leading to widespread damage to homes across the state; and

WHEREAS, assistance to recover from such damage through a variety of private and public sources including insurance proceeds, direct public assistance, and construction performed by charitable organizations has helped many South Carolinians recover from this damage; and

WHEREAS, unmet housing needs directly resulting from flood damage still exist; and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress appropriated funds for flood-related housing relief and the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development allocated \$96,827,000 in Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Relief funds to address these unmet needs; and

WHEREAS, the responsible administration of such funds requires sound grant allocation policies, effective business processes, and several avenues for individual applicants to receive due consideration of their resource requests.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Statutes of the State of South Carolina, I hereby establish the South Carolina Community Development Block Grant Steering Committee (Committee) to advise the South Carolina Department of Commerce (Department) on the development of the South Carolina State Action Plan (Plan) and oversee its implementation for the disbursement of the Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Relief (CDBG-DR) funds.

FURTHER, I hereby direct the Committee and Department as follows:

1. The Committee shall convene within 10 days of the issuance of this order to organize and receive a briefing from the Department on the current status of Plan formulation.
2. Prior to the submission of the initial Plan, the Department shall receive advice and consent from the Committee regarding allowable activities, resource allocation, and individual eligibility criteria to be included in the Plan and investment strategies for CDBG-DR funds.
3. Once the initial Plan has been submitted to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), the Department shall not amend the Plan without the advice and consent of the Committee.
4. Following submission of the Plan to HUD, the Committee shall meet as needed, but not less than quarterly, to receive reports on the activities funded by the CDBG-DR program and to advise on policy and Plan amendments.

The order shall take effect immediately.



GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE
GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF
SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS 12th DAY OF
APRIL, 2016.


NIKKI R. HALEY
Governor

ATTEST:



MARK HAMMOND
Secretary of State