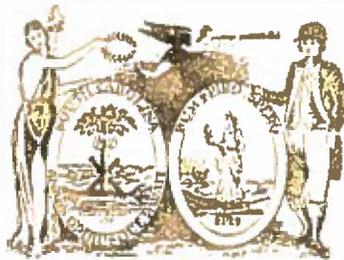


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*Mark Hammond*  
SECRETARY OF STATE



Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER No.

2015-24

**WHEREAS**, by Executive Order 2015-21, a state of emergency was declared in South Carolina due to heavy rainfall and flash flooding beginning on October 1, 2015, which includes the need to promote public safety and welfare; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 5, 2015, a Presidential Major Disaster Declaration was issued for several South Carolina counties, and counties continue to be added to this Declaration; and

**WHEREAS**, in preparation for the onset of this natural disaster and since, law enforcement has been working tirelessly to respond in the counties included in the Presidential Major Disaster Declaration and law enforcement agencies in those counties have identified a need for additional law enforcement officers to maintain the public peace and welfare; and

**WHEREAS**, S.C. Code Section 23-20-10, et seq. requires law enforcement agencies to enter into contractual agreements with other law enforcement providers for additional officers when it is necessary for the proper and prudent exercise of public safety functions and such agreements must be approved by the appropriate state, county, or local law enforcement authority's chief executive officer, and

**WHEREAS**, Sheriff A. Lane Cribb on behalf of Georgetown Sheriff's Office and several other law enforcement agencies has requested that the Governor waive the written contractual agreement requirements in order to allow law enforcement providers to expediently provide additional law enforcement officers to law enforcement agencies in impacted areas; and

**WHEREAS**, S.C. Code Section 23-20-60 allows the Governor by Executive Order to waive the requirement for a written contractual agreement for law enforcement services during a natural disaster or other emergency affecting public safety.

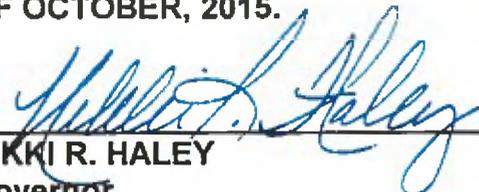
**NOW, THEREFORE**, pursuant to the powers conferred upon me by the Constitution and Statutes of the State of South Carolina and of the United States of America, I hereby waive the requirement, as needed, for written contractual agreements for the limited purpose of law enforcement providers to provide law enforcement services to law enforcement agencies located in a county included in the Presidential Major Disaster Declaration.

The waiver shall remain in effect for 14 days or until the emergency condition ceases to exist, whichever is less.

This order takes effect immediately.



GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS 15th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2015.

  
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NIKKI R. HALEY  
Governor

ATTEST:

  
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MARK HAMMOND  
SECRETARY OF STATE