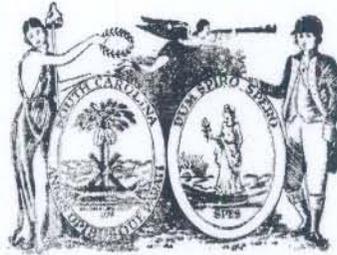


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SECRETARY OF STATE



Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2006-10

**WHEREAS**, the National Hurricane Center has determined that the coastline of the State of South Carolina is presently vulnerable to the effects of a strengthening storm that continues to develop in the Atlantic Ocean; and

**WHEREAS**, I have been advised that Tropical Storm Ernesto is advancing in a northern direction and represents a potential threat to the safety, security, welfare and property of citizens and transients living in South Carolina.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me as Governor, pursuant to the Constitution and Statutes of the State of South Carolina, I direct that the South Carolina Emergency Operations Plan be placed into effect and that all prudent preparations be taken at the individual, local, and state levels to protect against the possible effects of Tropical Storm Ernesto. I further direct that the South Carolina National Guard be placed on a standby status and, at the discretion of the Adjutant General, in consultation with and approval by the Governor's Office, and in coordination with the South Carolina Emergency Management Division, specified units of the National Guard be placed on active duty to assist civil authorities and to take all reasonable precautions as are necessary for the preservation of life and property.

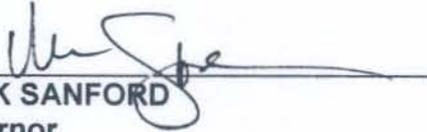
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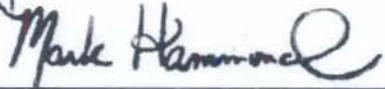
Further Proclamations and Orders deemed necessary to ensure the fullest possible protection of life and property during this state of emergency shall be issued verbally by me, and thereafter published for dissemination within the succeeding twenty-four hour period.



GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS 29TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2006.

  
MARK SANFORD  
Governor

ATTEST:

  
MARK HAMMOND  
SECRETARY OF STATE