



STATE OF ALABAMA
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the Alabama Emergency Management Act of 1955, as amended, confers upon the Governor of the State of Alabama the power to issue a State of Emergency when there exists conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the State caused by natural or man-made disasters;

WHEREAS, the State has experienced severe thunderstorms, hail, straight line winds, and tornados, which began on November 28, 2016, and are continuing;

WHEREAS, storm damage has occurred and is continuing to occur on public and private property;

WHEREAS, numerous homes and businesses have been damaged, disruption of utilities has occurred, and restoration efforts must begin and continue;

WHEREAS, there has been loss of life, injuries, and property damage, and this may continue to occur;

WHEREAS, disruption of essential utility systems has occurred and may continue to occur causing extreme peril to the citizens of the state;

WHEREAS, all of the above could adversely affect the health, safety, and economy of the people of the state; and,

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that these damages, by reason of their magnitude, will be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of any single county, city and county, or any city and expect that it will require the combined forces of a mutual aid region or regions to alleviate the adverse effects to the health, safety, and economy of the people of the state; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert Bentley, Governor of the State of Alabama, do hereby declare that a State of Emergency exists in the State of Alabama and direct the activation of the Alabama Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) in all appropriate annexes. In addition, I direct the appropriate state agencies to exercise their statutory authority to assist the communities and entities affected. I also direct the Alabama Emergency Management Agency to make the appropriate assessments of damages and seek the necessary state and federal assistance for the affected areas.

FURTHER, in accordance with the Code of Alabama, (1975), Sections 8-31-1 through 8-31-6, I hereby place all persons on notice that it is unlawful for any person within the State of Alabama to impose unconscionable prices for the sale or rental of any commodity or rental facility during the period of a declared State of Emergency.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto
Set my hand and caused the Great Seal to be
Affixed by the Secretary of State, at the
State Capitol, in the City of Montgomery, on
this 30th day of November, 2016.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert Bentley". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "R".

Robert Bentley
Governor

ATTESTED:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John H. Merrill". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J".

John H. Merrill
Secretary of State