



THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

WHEREAS: The National Hurricane Center forecasts Hurricane Matthew will travel dangerously close to the southeastern region of the State of Georgia; and

WHEREAS: The National Hurricane Center forecasts, through its five (5) day cone model, Hurricane Matthew will likely produce excessive rainfall and damaging winds, causing extensive flooding, fallen trees and the closure of numerous roads in Brantley, Bryan, Bulloch, Camden, Charlton, Chatham, Effingham, Evans, Glynn, Liberty, Long, McIntosh, and Wayne Counties; and

WHEREAS: The network of coastal and rural roads may be rendered impassable in many areas of the impacted counties, isolating residences and farms from access to essential public services; and

WHEREAS: The assistance of the government of the State of Georgia is necessary to protect the public health, preserve the safety of the public, keep property damage to a minimum and restore the social and economic welfare of impacted counties; and

WHEREAS: In light of these circumstances and with the authority vested in the Governor by virtue of Article 3, Section 38-3-51 of the Georgia Emergency Management Act of 1981, as amended to issue reasonable orders, rules and regulations deemed necessary to protect public health, safety and welfare, and bring the emergency situation under control within the acknowledged limitations of the powers of the Governor.

NOW THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY

ORDERED: That a State of Emergency exists in the following counties: Brantley, Bryan, Bulloch, Camden, Charlton, Chatham, Effingham, Evans, Glynn, Liberty, Long, McIntosh, and Wayne Counties.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That all resources of the State of Georgia be made available to assist in preparation, response and recovery activities in the above mentioned counties, and the Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency activate the Georgia Emergency Operations Plan.

This Executive Order shall be valid for a period of seven (7) days, beginning on October 5, 2016, and ending at 11:59pm on October 12, 2016.

This 4th day of October, 2016 at 2:00 ~~AM~~/PM.

Nathan Deal

GOVERNOR