

EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 159

WHEREAS, Severe weather conditions, including snow, heavy rains, winds, and high tides, have the potential for serious and substantial flooding, hazardous road conditions, and threaten life and property; and

WHEREAS, These weather conditions pose a threat and constitute a disaster from a natural cause which threatens and presently does endanger the health, safety or resources of the residents of more than one municipality and county of this State; and which is in some parts of the State, and may become in other parts of the State, too large in scope to be handled in its entirety by the normal municipal operating services; and

WHEREAS, The Constitution and statutes of the State of New Jersey, particularly the provisions of the Laws of 1942, Chapter 251 (C. App. A:9-33 et seq.) and Laws of 1979, Chapter 240 (C. 38A:3-6.1) and the Laws of 1963, Chapter 109 (N.J.S. 38A:2-4) and all amendments and supplements thereto, confer upon the Governor of the State of New Jersey certain emergency powers;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Charles Hardwick, Acting Governor of the State of New Jersey, in order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the people of the State of New Jersey, do DECLARE and PROCLAIM that a limited State of Emergency presently exists throughout this State.

In accordance with the Laws of 1963, Chapter 109 (N.J.S. 38A:2-4) and the Laws of 1979, Chapter 240 (C. 38A:3-6.1) as supplemented and amended, I hereby authorize the Adjutant General of the Department of Defense and New Jersey National Guard to order to active duty such members of the New Jersey National Guard, that, in his judgment, are necessary to provide aid to those localities where there is a threat or danger to the public health, safety and welfare. He may authorize the employment of any supporting vehicles, equipment, communications, or supplies as may be necessary to support the members so ordered.

In accordance with the Laws of 1942, Chapter 251 as supplemented and amended, I hereby empower the Superintendent of the Division of State Police, who is the State's Director of Emergency Management, through the police agencies under his control, to determine the control and direction of the flow of such vehicular traffic on any State highway, municipal or county road, including the right to detour,

reroute or divert any or all traffic and to prevent ingress or egress from any area that he, in his discretion, deems necessary for the protection of the health, safety, and welfare of the public.

The Superintendent of the Division of State Police is further authorized and empowered to utilize all facilities owned, rented, operated, or maintained by the State of New Jersey to house and shelter persons who may need shelter during the course of this emergency.

This proclamation shall remain in effect until such time as it is determined by the Governor that an emergency no longer exists.

Issued January 26, 1987.

EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 160

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 159, declaring a limited State of Emergency in the State of New Jersey, was issued on January 26, 1987 because of severe weather conditions; and

WHEREAS, The severity of the weather conditions necessitating the declaration of a State of Emergency has eased;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Thomas H. Kean, Governor of the State of New Jersey, announce that the State of Emergency is hereby terminated effective 12:01 p.m. on January 27, 1987, and I do hereby ORDER and DIRECT that Executive Order No. 159 and any regulations promulgated and adopted thereunder shall be null and void.

It is urged, however, that motorists continue to use discretion and caution in traveling, as the main roads, while clear, may be slippery.

I wish to express my gratitude to the people of New Jersey for the manner in which they cooperated during this limited State of Emergency, and to law enforcement and emergency response personnel for their untiring efforts.

Issued January 27, 1987.