



State of Iowa

Executive Department

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF IOWA

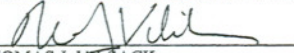
PROCLAMATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY

- WHEREAS,** THE 2000 GRAIN HARVEST ACROSS IOWA IS AHEAD OF SCHEDULE WITH YIELDS IN MANY AREAS GREATLY EXCEEDING EXPECTATIONS; AND
- WHEREAS,** REGIONS OF THE STATE ARE HAVING STORAGE CAPACITY PROBLEMS DUE TO THESE ABUNDANT YIELDS; AND
- WHEREAS,** WITH 1999 CROPS STILL OCCUPYING A MAJOR PORTION OF IOWA'S GRAIN STORAGE FACILITIES, THERE ARE RESULTING STORAGE PROBLEMS AS THE 2000 CROP ARRIVES; AND
- WHEREAS,** THERE ARE REGIONS OF THE STATE THAT ARE EXPERIENCING A SLOW HARVEST DUE TO DISEASE AND WEATHER DAMAGE THAT MAY LEAD TO A POTENTIAL LOSS OF GRAIN AND ECONOMIC HARDSHIP; AND
- WHEREAS,** STRICT COMPLIANCE WITH THE PERMIT AND FEE REQUIREMENTS OF IOWA CODE SECTION 321E.29 AND 761 IAC 511 ALLOWING OVERSIZE AND OVERWEIGHT DIVISIBLE LOADS UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES WOULD PREVENT OR HINDER EFFORTS TO COPE WITH THIS DISASTER EMERGENCY:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THOMAS J. VILSACK, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF IOWA, ACTING UNDER THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY IOWA CONSTITUTION ARTICLE IV, SECTIONS 1 AND 8 AND IOWA CODE SECTION 29C.6(1) DO HEREBY DECLARE THE ENTIRE STATE TO BE IN A STATE OF DISASTER EMERGENCY. FURTHER, PURSUANT TO IOWA CODE SECTION 29C.6(6), I DO HEREBY SUSPEND THE REGULATORY PROVISIONS OF IOWA CODE SECTIONS 321.463 AND 321E.29, AND 761 IAC 511 TO THE EXTENT THAT THOSE PROVISIONS RESTRICT THE MOVEMENT OF OVERSIZE AND OVERWEIGHT LOADS OF SOYBEANS, CORN, HAY, STRAW AND STOVER AND REQUIRE A PERMIT TO TRANSPORT SUCH LOADS. SUSPENSION OF THESE PROVISIONS APPLIES TO LOADS TRANSPORTED ON ALL HIGHWAYS WITHIN IOWA, EXCLUDING THE INTERSTATE SYSTEM, AND WHICH DO NOT EXCEED A MAXIMUM OF 90,000 POUNDS GROSS WEIGHT. THIS ACTION IS INTENDED TO ALLOW VEHICLES TRANSPORTING SOYBEANS, CORN, HAY, STRAW, AND STOVER TO BE OVERSIZE AND OVERWEIGHT, NOT EXCEEDING 90,000 POUNDS GROSS WEIGHT, WITHOUT A PERMIT, BUT ONLY FOR THE DURATION OF THIS PROCLAMATION.

THIS PROCLAMATION EXPIRES 30 DAYS FROM THE DATE ISSUED. THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IS HEREBY DIRECTED TO MONITOR THE OPERATION OF THIS PROCLAMATION TO ASSURE THE PUBLIC'S SAFETY AND FACILITATE THE MOVEMENT OF THE TRUCKS INVOLVED.

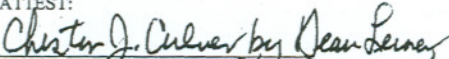
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SUBSCRIBED MY NAME AND CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF IOWA TO BE AFFIXED. DONE AT DES MOINES THIS 6TH DAY OF OCTOBER IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND.



THOMAS J. VILSACK
GOVERNOR



ATTEST:


CHESTER J. CULVER
SECRETARY OF STATE

Chief Deputy