

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

CHARLESTON

EXECUTIVE DECLARATION

By the Governor

WHEREAS, on the twenty-ninth day of June, Two Thousand Twelve, severe storms caused heavy rainfall, flooding, high winds, downed trees, mudslides, and road and stream blockages throughout this State, leaving an estimated 688,000 citizens of West Virginia without power; and

WHEREAS, in recognition that the effects of the storms pose a continuing threat to the health, safety, welfare, and property of the citizens of West Virginia, particularly in light of the extreme temperatures presently affecting this State, I declared and proclaimed a State of Emergency in all fifty-five counties comprising this State, pursuant to my authority as Governor; and

WHEREAS, although substantial government and private resources are being devoted toward restoring power and remedying the havoc caused by the storms, numerous citizens of West Virginia, including countless employees of this State, are still without power, are experiencing difficulties obtaining fuel for their vehicles, and are otherwise struggling to remedy health, safety, and property concerns in the wake of the storms.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, EARL RAY TOMBLIN, by virtue of the authority vested in me as the Governor of the State of West Virginia, and in view of the aforementioned State of Emergency, do hereby **DECLARE** that only employees who provide essential services of this State, including but not limited to those employees who work in facilities open on a 24-hour basis, or for agencies which provide critical services related to the health, safety and welfare of the citizenry, shall be required to report to work on the second day of July, Two Thousand Twelve; all

other employees of this State shall be excused from work on the second day of July, Two Thousand Twelve without loss of pay or charge to annual leave subject, however, to the West Virginia Division of Personnel Policy titled "Emergency Situations / Inclement Weather."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed.



DONE at the Capitol in the City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the first day of July, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twelve, and in the One Hundred Fiftieth year of the State.

Earl Ray Tomblin

GOVERNOR

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SECRETARY OF STATE