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A
PROCLAMATION
OF A
STATE OF DISASTER

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FRANK M. JORDAN, Secretary of State

By *Walter W. [Signature]*
Assistant Secretary of State

WHEREAS, the laws of the State of California empower the Governor to proclaim a State of Disaster in an area or region of this State affected or likely to be affected by certain conditions of extreme peril to persons and property within the State, which proclamation shall be in writing and shall take effect immediately upon its issuance; and

WHEREAS, it is provided by law that during a State of Disaster the Director of the California Disaster Office shall act as the coordinator of all state disaster activities in connection with such emergency, and every state agency and officer shall cooperate with the Director in rendering all possible assistance; and

WHEREAS, it is further provided by law that during a State of Disaster when the need arises for outside aid in any county, city and county, or city within the region, such aid shall be rendered in accordance with the mutual aid plans developed on a regional or other basis; and that it shall be the duty of local public officials to comply with such plans; and

WHEREAS, I, as Governor of the State of California, did find, on March 16, 1964, that conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within this State existed in the County of Los Angeles as a result of major and widespread fires

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which had occurred and which were still burning in a large area within the County of Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS, I, as Governor of the State of California, have found and do hereby find:

1. That a major factor in the conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within this State, which was proclaimed to exist as a result of major and widespread fires burning in a large area within the County of Los Angeles, was the excessively high wind prevalent in that area at the time of the fires; and that further conditions of extreme peril existed as a result of the heavy rains of March 22 - 24, 1964, immediately following the fires, causing extensive run-off of mud and silt; and

2. That the Governor has been requested to proclaim the State of Disaster to exist in the County of Los Angeles as a result of excessively high winds and major and widespread fires burning in a large area within the County of Los Angeles, and as a result of the heavy rains and run-off of mud and silt within the County of Los Angeles, by the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and by the Mayor of the City of Glendale; and

3. That local authority in directly affected areas is inadequate to cope with the aforesaid conditions of extreme peril by reason of their magnitude, which places them beyond the control of the protective services, personnel, equipment and facilities of any single county, city and county, or city, and requires the combined forces of a mutual aid region or regions to combat; and

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4. That the aforesaid conditions of extreme peril warrant and necessitate the proclamation of the existence of a State of Disaster;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDMUND G. BROWN, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the powers and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State, do hereby proclaim that a State of Disaster does exist, and has existed since March 16, 1964, in the County of Los Angeles, as a result of excessively high winds and major and widespread fires and of subsequent heavy rains and run-off of mud and silt; and

I DIRECT that this proclamation shall take effect immediately, effective March 16, 1964, and that as soon hereafter as possible this proclamation be filed in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of California, and that widespread publicity and notice be given to this proclamation.

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

Done at the City of Sacramento this 3rd day of April, 1964.



GOVERNOR OF CALIFORNIA

ATTEST:



Secretary of State



Assistant Secretary of State

