THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

WHEREAS: The National Hurricane Center forecasts Tropical Storm Hermine will strengthen, make landfall on the Gulf Coast of the State of Florida and proceed into the southern region of the State of Georgia; and

WHEREAS: The National Hurricane Center forecasts, through its five (5) day cone model, Tropical Storm Hermine will likely produce excessive rainfall and damaging winds, causing extensive flooding, fallen trees and the closure of numerous roads in Appling, Atkinson, Bacon, Ben Hill, Berrien, Brantley, Brooks, Bryan, Bulloch, Burke, Camden, Candler, Charlton, Chatham, Clinch, Coffee, Colquitt, Cook, Crisp, Decatur, Dodge, Echols, Effingham, Emanuel, Evans, Glynn, Grady, Irwin, Jeff Davis, Jefferson, Jenkins, Johnson, Lanier, Laurens, Liberty, Long, Lowndes, McIntosh, Mitchell, Montgomery, Pierce, Richmond, Screven, Seminole, Tattnall, Telfair, Thomas, Tift, Toombs, Treutlen, Turner, Ware, Wayne, Wheeler, Wilcox and Worth Counties; and

WHEREAS: The rural network of local roads will likely 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


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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 three (3) days, beginning on September 1, 2016, and ending at 11:59 pm on September 3, 2016.

This ___ day of September, 2016 at ___ AM/PM.

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GOVERNOR