

STATE OF MONTANA  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 27--08

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EXECUTIVE ORDER PROCLAIMING AN EMERGENCY  
TO EXIST IN THE CITY OF LIBBY

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WHEREAS, In January 2008 multiple snowfalls have occurred in northwest Montana including the City of Libby in Lincoln County; and,

WHEREAS, these multiple snowfalls have caused hazardous driving conditions and damaged several roofs within the City, and have caused heavy snow loads on the roofs of many public buildings within the City; and

WHEREAS, the snow removal from critical public buildings and streets is essential to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the City; and

WHEREAS, this severe snowfall event has caused life threatening situations and a continuing substantial threat to life and property; and

WHEREAS, the City of Libby has committed all available resources, taken all possible actions to respond, mitigate and alleviate the situation, and the local resources are not sufficient to meet the conditions; and

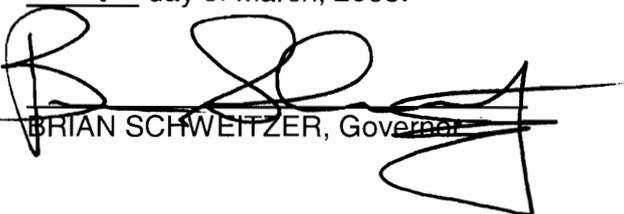
WHEREAS, on February 4, 2008, the City of Libby declared a disaster to exist and has exhausted all available emergency levies by appropriating emergency funding in an amount equivalent to a two (2) mill levy on the city's taxable valuation, pursuant to Section 10-3-405, MCA, to respond to the event; and

WHEREAS, a proclamation of an emergency or disaster authorizes the Governor under Section 10-3-311, MCA, to expend funds from the general fund to meet contingencies and needs arising from these conditions.

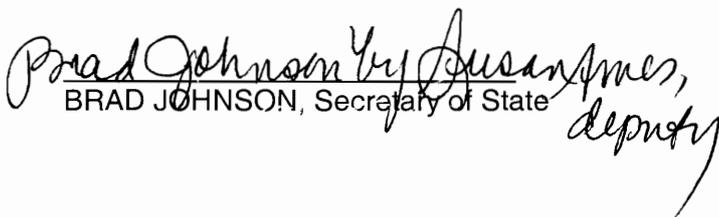
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Brian Schweitzer, Governor of the State of Montana, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Governor under the laws and the Constitution of the State of Montana, do hereby declare, under Section 10-3-302, MCA, an emergency to exist in the City of Libby, in Lincoln County, State of Montana, and authorize the incurring of liabilities and expenses to be paid as other claims against the state from the general fund, pursuant to Section 10-3-311, MCA.

This Order is effective January 1, 2008.

GIVEN under my hand and the GREAT  
SEAL of the State of Montana, this  
14<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2008.

  
BRIAN SCHWEITZER, Governor

ATTEST:

  
BRAD JOHNSON, Secretary of State  
deputy