WHEREAS, natural and technological disasters are an ever present and continuing threat to the people of the State of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, these disasters can cause substantial losses to the citizens of the state, in both lives and property; and

WHEREAS, through effective, planned response by state and local governments, the destructive nature of these disasters can be mitigated; and

WHEREAS, an effective statewide Hazard Mitigation Program must be centrally orchestrated, involving all levels of government; and

WHEREAS, government officials must continually strive to promote Hazard Mitigation, and develop cost reducing initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order Number 39 was enacted on September 12, 1990, creating the Iowa Hazard Mitigation Team and Executive Order Number 54 was enacted on December 23, 1994, revising the composition of the team.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Terry E. Branstad, Governor of the State of Iowa, by the virtue of the authority vested in me by the Laws and Constitution of the State of Iowa, and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 29C, Code of Iowa, do hereby order that:

I. Executive Order Number 54 be rescinded and replaced with Executive Order Number 62.
II. There shall be created a Primary Iowa Hazard Mitigation Team whose membership shall include representatives from the following state agencies, who shall participate in all Hazard Mitigation Team activities.

A. Department of Natural Resources
B. Department of Transportation
C. Department of Economic Development
D. Department of Cultural Affairs
E. Department of Public Safety
F. Department of Public Defense-Emergency Management Division

III. There will be created a Secondary Iowa Hazard Mitigation Team whose membership shall include representatives from the following state agencies, who shall be called upon on an as-needed basis to provide information and assistance to the Primary Iowa Hazard Mitigation Team.

A. Department of General Services
B. Department of Public Health
C. Department of Agriculture & Land Stewardship
D. Department of Commerce
E. Department of Management
F. Department of Revenue & Finance
G. Department of Education
H. Department of Justice
I. Department of Workforce Development
J. Governor's Office

IV. I do hereby declare that other state agencies will participate on the Hazard Mitigation Team on an as-needed basis, as requested by the Iowa Emergency Management Division; and

V. I do hereby authorize the head of each agency to delegate the participation on the Hazard Mitigation Team assigned to him/her; and

VI. I do hereby authorize the Hazard Mitigation Team to request participation by local governments, federal government, and private industry, as needed, and
VII. I do hereby decree the following as specific responsibilities of the Hazard Mitigation Team:

A. Determine the capabilities of each state agency to address various hazards, including the legal authority of each agency and the programs and funding sources available to address mitigation activities; and

B. Provide assistance to the Emergency Management Division to develop, implement, and update the State Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

C. Coordinate activities of state agencies to reduce the loss of life and property, and costs of disaster; and

D. Recommend methods to improve mitigation, activities of state agencies, local governments, federal government and private industry; and

E. Finally, I do hereby also decree that the Hazard Mitigation Team may assume additional responsibilities in the area of Hazard Mitigation not specified heretofore.

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 7th day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety-eight.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:
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SECRETARY OF STATE