

STATE OF NEBRASKA



Proclamation

Whereas, the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services has been monitoring the world wide situation in reference to an outbreak of influenza in the United States and Mexico; and

Whereas, as Governor I am now informed the influenza outbreak is a public health incident of international significance with the first confirmed case of H1N1 virus in Nebraska.

Now, Therefore, under the provisions of R.R.S. 81-829.40, which confers emergency responsibilities and powers upon the Governor, I, Dave Heineman, as Governor of the State of Nebraska, do hereby declare that a state of emergency exists within the State of Nebraska.

I hereby direct the Nebraska Adjutant General, who also serves as Disaster Coordinator, to activate appropriate State emergency plans and to take such steps as deemed necessary to meet this emergency, and to continue these actions until such time as the threat to life and property created by this situation have been alleviated.

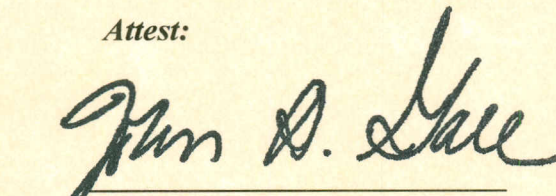
I hereby direct the Chief Medical Officer and the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services to implement as needed to meet the emergency the plans, protocols and procedures for the authorization, distribution and dispensing of federal and state government-provided antiviral medicines and suspend statutes and regulations that would impede the implementation of the plans and state response.

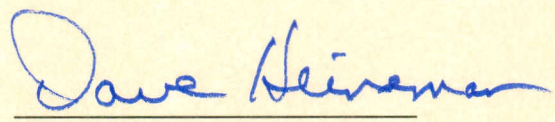
I further direct and request, the appropriate State agencies to cooperate with and support the Adjutant General of Nebraska upon this request, as may be appropriate and lawful.

I hereby authorize the Adjutant General of Nebraska to activate such elements of State Government and Emergency Management resources as are appropriate to deal with this emergency and to expend such funds, within the limitations of availability, from the Governor's Emergency Fund to support these actions.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, and cause the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska to be affixed this 30th day of April, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Nine.

Attest:


Secretary of State


Governor
State of Nebraska

