

# State of Louisiana



## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION NO. 54 KBB 2007

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### LIMITED EXTENSION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY - HURRICANE KATRINA

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**WHEREAS,** Proclamation No. 48 KBB 2005, issued on August 26, 2005, declared a state of emergency for the state of Louisiana due to Hurricane Katrina's potential to cause severe storms, high winds, and torrential rain that could cause flooding and damage to private property and public facilities, and threaten the safety and security of the citizens of Louisiana;

**WHEREAS,** On August 29, 2005, Hurricane Katrina struck Louisiana resulting in severe flooding, damage, and the interruption in the delivery of utility services to the southeastern part of the state of Louisiana, which has threatened the safety, health, and security of the citizens of the state of Louisiana, along with private property and public facilities;

**WHEREAS,** the extreme damage caused by Hurricane Katrina continues to cause disaster and emergency conditions, as indicated above, in the most affected areas, as evidenced, for example, by the deployment of the Louisiana National Guard for peacekeeping measures, the extraordinary housing across the state of inmates evacuated from parishes affected by the disaster, the continued assessment and remediation of the environmental impact of the disaster, and the use of property to expedite levee repair and reconstruction;

**WHEREAS,** it is necessary to renew Proclamation No. 48 KBB 2005, as extended by subsequent proclamations, to further extend the state of emergency due to the continuation of emergency/disaster conditions;

**NOW THEREFORE I, KATHLEEN BABINEAUX BLANCO,** Governor of the state of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and laws of the state of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

**SECTION 1:** Pursuant to Title 29 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 and the Louisiana Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act, R.S. 29:721, *et seq.*, a state of emergency/disaster is declared to continue to exist in the state of Louisiana due to Hurricane Katrina and its aftermath, which resulted in severe storm damage and extreme flooding to private property and public facilities, and continues to threaten the safety, health, and security of the citizens of the state of Louisiana;

**SECTION 2:** The state of emergency/disaster is extended for an additional thirty (30) days through Thursday, August 16, 2007, unless terminated sooner.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2007.



**ATTEST BY  
THE GOVERNOR**

**/S/ Kathleen Babineaux Blanco  
GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA**

**/S/ Jay Dardenne  
SECRETARY OF STATE**