DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY * State Route 88 Flood Damage *

WHEREAS, on July 24, 2017, thunderstorms resulted in flash flooding overwhelming highway drainage along State Route 88, from mile post 201 to 213.5; and

WHEREAS, this flash flooding has resulted in the Arizona Department of Transportation taking action to implement closures to that section of highway; and

WHEREAS, this flooding has damaged the roadway creating the potential for an imminent public safety situation in Central Arizona; and

WHEREAS, the severity and magnitude of damage to the highway infrastructure has exceeded the capacity of the Arizona Department of Transportation, requiring the support of the Federal Highway Administration; and

WHEREAS, given the magnitude of the damages may impose a severe hardship on the State, county and local emergency responders; and

WHEREAS, the Governor is authorized to declare an emergency pursuant to A.R.S. § 26-303(D); and

NOW, THEREFORE I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of the State, do hereby determine that this situation justifies a declaration of a State of Emergency, pursuant to A.R.S. § 26-303(D), and I do hereby:

- a. Declare that a State of Emergency exists along State Route 88 due to road damage effective July 24, 2017; and
- b. Direct the State of Arizona Emergency Response and Recovery Plan be used to direct and control state and other assets and authorize the Director of the Arizona Division of Emergency Management to coordinate state assets; and
- c. Direct the Arizona Department of Transportation to coordinate with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and request assistance under FHWA's Emergency Relief Program.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.

GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-eighth day of July in the Year Two Thousand Seventeen and of the independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Second.

ATTEST:

Secretary of State

Michele Reagan