

STATE OF NEBRASKA



Proclamation

Whereas, commencing on the 11th day of May 2015 and continuing, a diagnosis of highly pathogenic avian influenza has been confirmed in the poultry flock in the State of Nebraska and to which an expeditious, effective response has placed extraordinary demands upon the Nebraska Department of Agriculture;

Whereas, the actions necessary to return the state of Nebraska to a point of being free of cases of highly pathogenic avian influenza in the collective poultry flock present a financial and human resources burden on the Nebraska Department of Agriculture and other assisting state agencies;


Now, Therefore, under the provisions of the Nebraska Emergency Management Act as expressed in R.R.S. 81-829.40, which confers emergency responsibilities and powers upon the Governor, I, Pete Ricketts, as Governor of the State of Nebraska do hereby declare a state of emergency exists due to the demands presented in responding to the avian influenza finding.

I hereby direct the Nebraska Adjutant General, who also serves as the Director of the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency, to activate appropriate State emergency plans, any annex to that plan dealing with foreign animal disease, and those local response plans applicable to the counties affected by this disaster, and to expend such funds, within the limitations of availability, from the Governor's Emergency Fund to support these actions.

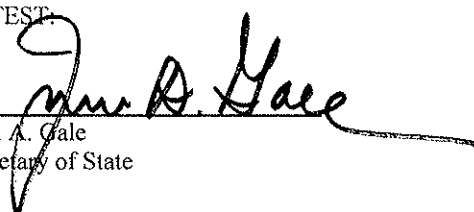
This State of Emergency shall be effective immediately today, May 12, 2015, and shall continue until further notice.

In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Seal of the State of Nebraska to be affixed this the 12th day of May 2015.

Done at the State Capitol, Lincoln, Nebraska, this Twelfth Day of May, in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand Fifteen.


Pete Ricketts
Governor
State of Nebraska

ATTEST


John A. Gale
Secretary of State

