STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

EO 20-46

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

EXECUTIVE ORDER TO PROVIDE FUNDING, AS AUTHORIZED BY ARK. CODE ANN. §§ 12-75-114, AS AMENDED, FROM THE GOVERNOR'S DISASTER FUND, EMERGENCY RESPONSE FUND

WHEREAS: Hurricane Laura is forecasted to cause severe storms, high-winds, and flooding beginning August 25, 2020, and continuing thereafter, with such severity that action is warranted to alleviate expected hardship and suffering; and

WHEREAS: Great hardship is expected to fall upon citizens and public property within the State of Arkansas; and

WHEREAS: Adverse circumstances have been brought to bear upon the citizens and public properties within the State as a result of historic floods that occurred in 2019 and the ongoing impact of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS: These political subdivisions require supplemental assistance from the State to recover from these losses and those expected as a result of Hurricane Laura;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Asa Hutchinson, Governor of the State of Arkansas, acting under the authority vested in me by Ark. Code Ann. §§ 12-75-101, *et seq.*, do hereby declare a state of emergency and authorize funds from the Governor's Disaster Fund, in the amount of $250,000 to be obligated from the Emergency Response Fund. Such funds will be used at the discretion of the Director of the Arkansas Division of Emergency Management to defray both program and administrative costs; and

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 26th day of August, in the year of our Lord 2020.

GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS

Asa Hutchinson, Governor