I, Frank Keating, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, have determined that the citizens of Oklahoma need assistance in tornado preparedness. The Office of Civil Emergency Management is equipped with the knowledge and experience to provide a valuable service to all Oklahomans by raising the level of awareness of the severity of tornado destruction and by providing information on how to reduce potential injury and loss of life.

Therefore, pursuant to the powers vested in me by Section 2 of Article VI of the Oklahoma Constitution, I hereby direct the Office of Civil Emergency Management to coordinate with community officials and leaders at all levels of local government within the State to immediately develop and implement plans of action for addressing tornado preparedness measures. Such plans are to be utilized to minimize the injury and loss of life that occurs as a result of a tornado. These measures should include the identification of storm shelters available for the public and methods to insure public awareness of that availability.

This executive order shall be forwarded to the Director of the Office of Civil Emergency Management who shall cause the provisions of this order to be implemented within ninety (90) days of the date of this Executive Order.

IN WITNESS HEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed at Oklahoma City, this 27th day of May, 1999.

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Attest:

Secretary of State Acting Assistant