

and Civil Defense Agency and local governments that, as a result of Hurricane Juan and a severe rainstorm, Allegany, Anne Arundel, Calvert, Frederick, Garrett, St. Mary's and Washington Counties experienced within their boundaries serious personal injuries, loss of human life and significant destruction of property; and,

WHEREAS, This situation has resulted in the evacuation and sheltering of persons in these counties; and,

NOW, THEREFORE Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Maryland, including but not limited to Article 16A and Article 41 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, I, HARRY HUGHES, GOVERNOR OF MARYLAND, HEREBY PROCLAIM THAT A STATE OF EMERGENCY EXISTS IN ALLEGANY, ANNE ARUNDEL, CALVERT, FREDERICK, GARRETT, ST. MARY'S AND WASHINGTON COUNTIES.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER OF NOVEMBER 16, 1985

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MILITIA - OATHS OF ENLISTMENT OR APPOINTMENT

WHEREAS, National Guard Regulation 600-200 requires that the oath of enlistment in the National Guard be administered by any commissioned/warrant officer of the National Guard of the State or jurisdiction concerned, or by any other person authorized by the laws of the State or other jurisdiction to administer the oath; and

WHEREAS, Article 65, Section 25 of the Annotated Code of Maryland empowers officers of the organized militia of this State to administer oaths of the enlistment to individuals enlisting in the organized militia of this State; and

WHEREAS, The laws of this State do not prohibit other persons from administering the oaths of enlistment; and

WHEREAS, On August 29, 1985, the Department of Defense required that, effective October 1, 1985, all persons entering the military service be processed, to include the oath of enlistment, at a Military Entrance Processing Station; and

WHEREAS, There are no officers of the organized militia of this State present at a Military Entrance Processing Station to administer oaths of enlistment; and

WHEREAS, In the interest of economy and governmental efficiency, it is desirable to permit the Adjutant General to authorize federally recognized officers of the Armed Forces present at