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## Office of the Governor

March 31, 2020

The Honorable Donald J. Trump  
President of the United States  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Through: Robert Fenton, Regional Administrator  
Federal Emergency Management Agency  
Region IX  
1111 Broadway Street, Suite 1200  
Oakland, CA 94607

### **RE: Request for Presidential Disaster Declaration – Major Disaster**

Dear Mr. President:

I respectfully request that you declare a Major Disaster for the State of Nevada as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. This request is being made pursuant to the provisions of Section 410 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 5121-5207, as implemented by 44 CFR § 206.36, and seeks assistance through Public Assistance Category B, Individual Assistance, and Direct Federal Assistance for all 17 counties and 27 federally recognized Indian tribes throughout the State of Nevada.

I have determined that the COVID-19 outbreak is of such severity and scale that the effective response is beyond the capabilities of the state, local, and tribal governments, and that supplementary federal assistance is needed to save lives, to protect public health and safety, and to prevent the continued spread of COVID-19. Nevada needs federal support to state, local and tribal jurisdictions to equip medical professionals and first responders with personal protective equipment (PPE), medical equipment, testing supplies, testing facilities, medical triage, emergency medical treatment, specialized medical equipment and additional medical facilities to slow the spread of COVID-19 to save lives. Please expedite this request without a completed preliminary damage assessment given the evolving and dynamic nature of this event.

As you know, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) have been responding to COVID-19, which has been confirmed in numerous countries, including the United States. On January 31, 2020, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) declared a Public

Health Emergency for the United States, and on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization (WHO) declared COVID-19 outbreak a pandemic. As a result of the deteriorating public health conditions in the State of Nevada, I declared a state of emergency on March 12, 2020 (enclosed). In doing so, I activated state resources to assist local and tribal governments through the State Emergency Operations Plan, in accordance with Section 501(a) of the Stafford Act. I also activated the State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) and established an Emergency Team to coordinate the response to COVID-19.

In addition to the declared emergency, I have issued seven directives (enclosed) which were intended to prevent further transmission of COVID-19 within the state, including the closure of all K-12 schools, the closure of all Nevada gaming establishments, the closure of non-essential businesses, the closure of certain state offices, the suspension of certain Nevada Open Meeting Law requirements, and the prohibition of large group gatherings. Despite Nevada's robust directives to slow the transmission of the COVID-19, more than 13,000 people have been tested for COVID-19 and over 1,000 people have received a positive diagnosis with increasing numbers of new positive cases being identified each day. Sadly, at the time I write this letter, fifteen Nevada residents have succumbed to the disease.

Through reliance on the Nevada Chief Medical Officer, the Governor's Medical Advisory Team, and federal guidance, I have implemented aggressive social distancing measures throughout the state. Additionally, my office has developed an effective public service campaign aimed at encouraging Nevada residents to "Stay Home for Nevada," which has been promoted through public service announcements on the television, radio, newspaper, and internet. I also facilitated the development of the Nevada Health Response website, through the Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, located at [NVHealthResponse.nv.gov](https://nvhealthresponse.nv.gov), which was developed to provide accurate COVID-19 information and consistent messaging to Nevada residents and visitors.

Although the actual costs and full impact of this disaster are largely unknown at this time, the economic impacts to the State of Nevada are undoubtedly negative and severe. The tourism industry is critical to the Nevada economy as it funds 40% of the state's total budget. Nevertheless, in the interest of the health of Nevadans and of slowing the spread of COVID-19, I made the extremely difficult decision to shut down all hotel-casinos for at least 30 days. As a result, Nevada's tourism industry is anticipating \$39 billion in losses due to COVID-19 related closures. Additionally, the corresponding reduction in state and local revenue will impact public services like education, unemployment, and public safety – and at a time when public services are going to be critical to supporting our struggling population. The tourism industry provides for more than \$1.8 billion in tax revenue, and it accounts for and supports more than 450,000 jobs within the State of Nevada, representing approximately 33% of all jobs within the state.

Therefore, the existing shutdown of all gaming within Nevada will cause an unavoidable economic collapse of Nevada's budget, which will have disastrous effects on the state's ability to provide essential services to its residents. For every day that the gaming industry is shut down for the health and welfare of our state, more than one-third of residents will be unable to meet their own personal financial obligations due to lost wages.

It is important to specifically mention Clark County, Nevada, which has a population of 2.3 million people and is home to the Las Vegas Strip, including seven of the largest hotels in the world. With gaming establishments closed for at least 30 days under my directive, Clark County's tourism industry has come to a halt. Although not yet fully realized, the total estimated impact to Clark County through June 2021 due to the COVID-19 crisis is currently estimated to result in a \$1.128 billion loss. As a result of this emergency, the Clark County Multi-Agency Command Center is operational at level two activation. Emergency response costs for the county are projected to exceed \$27 million. These costs alone exceed the threshold needed for Nevada to qualify for a Major Disaster Declaration.

Although the gaming and tourism industries have a significant impact on our economy, Nevada small business owners are credited with providing well over 650,000 jobs throughout the state. Approximately 300,000 of the jobs provided by small businesses are considered non-essential for the purposes of the COVID-19 response closures. Small businesses, and their employees, are suffering disproportionately due to the restrictions placed upon both essential and non-essential businesses, which are necessary to prevent the transmission of COVID-19. Further, the reduction in consumer spending has left many critically important small businesses in need of assistance, to not only protect their continued livelihood, but also to support the needs of their employees.

To help small businesses, Nevada requested an Economic Injury Disaster declaration by the United States Small Business Administration, which was granted on March 17, 2020, covering all counties in the state. However, the unknown duration of this pandemic, coupled with the lack of long-term funding for small businesses, has rendered many businesses on the brink of permanent closure. These circumstances have resulted in an increase in unemployment numbers, which will ultimately impact Nevada's ability to recover economically from this crisis.

Nevada's unemployment insurance operations have been impacted to a degree never seen in the 80-year history of the program with a speed and scale previously unimaginable. Initial claim volume rose from approximately 2,500 claims per week in early March 2020 to over 95,000 claims last week. Unemployment claims are expected to continue to rise during the COVID-19 response and recovery efforts. As it stands now, Nevada's unemployment rate of increase is the highest in the nation and additional layoffs are on the horizon as more businesses inevitably shut their doors and layoff their staff.

Public sector resources in Nevada are also strained. At the time of this letter, 16 of Nevada's 17 counties, 8 cities, and 19 tribal nations have declared local emergencies, requesting state resources to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. The State of Nevada has taken significant steps to respond to the emerging situation, including, but not limited to, the activation of the State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) and Joint Information Center. Numerous state agencies have been working in close coordination with my office and the SEOC, including, but not limited to, the Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, the Nevada Department of Public Safety, the Nevada National Guard, the Nevada Department of Education, the Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles, Nevada Department of Employment, Training, and Rehabilitation, Nevada Department of Agriculture, Nevada Department of Corrections, and the Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

The State of Nevada is also working with numerous volunteer organizations to coordinate resources for Nevadans, including the America Red Cross, Team Rubicon, the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and various food banks throughout the state. The State of Nevada has worked tirelessly to secure scarce supplies and equipment for our response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Under the leadership of Major General Ondra Berry, the Nevada Military Department has temporarily aligned with the Nevada Division of Emergency Management and the Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, which agencies have to date facilitated 374 resource requests toward these efforts. I have also organized the COVID-19 Response, Relief, and Recovery Task Force as a public-private partnership to mobilize the private sector to assist the state in addressing the shortages of supplies, distribution of available resources, and mitigation efforts as Nevada forges through this response effort. However, despite maximized statewide cooperation, Nevada still suffers from a lack of resources and federal assistance that is necessary and critical to our ability to respond effectively and efficiently.

The Nevada Division of Emergency Management is currently supporting state agencies, local jurisdictions, and tribal governments, through the SEOC activated on March 13, 2020, to provide situational awareness and statewide coordination of resources. The state is facing a shortage of personal protective equipment (PPE), medical equipment, and testing supplies, as its stockpile has been exhausted. We estimate that for a 30-day supply of PPE for the State of Nevada will cost \$4 million.

The Nevada Department of Health and Human and Services has taken the lead on the public health response effort in unified command with the Nevada Division of Emergency Management. The Nevada Department of Health and Human and Services serves on, and provides leadership to, the Governor's Medical Advisory Team, which was developed to provide expert assessments and recommendations on steps the state can take to mitigate and contain COVID-19.

The Nevada Department of Health and Human and Services has also worked closely with the CDC and FEMA in this response effort. Contracts and work orders to address COVID-19 have been expedited, as well as subgrants to local jurisdictions to help support their response efforts. They have also coordinated the delivery of the available PPE across the state and maintained a 24/7 call line to assist health care providers, business owners, and the general public during this response. Despite these efforts, additional resources are needed to provide greater access to PPE, medical equipment, and testing kits, as well as, other services that the federal government is prepared to provide through Public and Individual Assistance.

Depending on the duration and intensity of this pandemic, the state is poised to spend tens of millions of dollars to protect its front-line personnel and first responders for COVID-19. To date, Nevada state agencies have already spent or have committed to spend a minimum of \$8 million responding to and mitigating the spread of COVID-19, and Nevada's increased Medicaid costs are projected at over \$100 million. Nevada has requested \$5 million from FEMA. Furthermore, the Governor's Finance Office will be requesting approval this week through emergency meetings of the State Board of Examiners and the Interim Finance Committee for an additional \$6.25 million in spending authorization from the state Disaster Relief Account toward the continued response



and recovery to this pandemic. Nevertheless, it is painfully obvious that the resources of the federal government are also needed to supplement Nevada's efforts and ensure our recovery, both physically and economically. Because of Nevada's needs and resource limitations, I am respectfully requesting the opportunity to engage in future conversations on options for waiving and or lowering any match requirement for public assistance FEMA funds received by Nevada going forward.

In the last five years, Nevada's public safety community has been impacted by an unprecedented number of significant emergencies and disasters, including two Presidentially declared disasters and the largest mass shooting in U.S. history, as well as numerous wildfires, seven of which were significant enough to be awarded Fire Management Assistance Grants. The financial impact of these events has strained the resources of the State, as well its public safety community. The two back-to-back flooding events in northern Nevada resulted in two Major Disaster Declarations and cost the State of Nevada \$10 million in response and recovery operations. As a result of the 1 October mass shooting in Clark County, which resulted in 59 deaths and 524 injuries, Nevada spent nearly \$17 million in response and recovery. As Nevada faces this unprecedented pandemic, our State continues to struggle to recover from a series of recent, and significant, disasters.

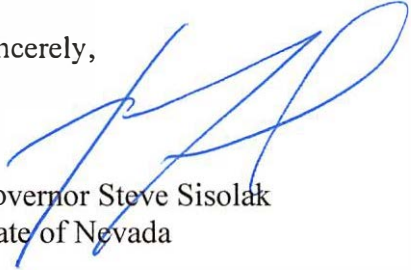
Although the response by public and private partners to the COVID-19 pandemic has reflected a well-coordinated, whole state approach to assisting the public health needs of Nevadans, more resources are needed to support this unprecedented response effort. Nevada is committed to its recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic; however, state, local, and tribal governments have expended substantial resources in their public health response and need the assistance of the federal government to recover effectively and efficiently.

Therefore, I respectfully request that you declare a major disaster for the State of Nevada, and I request that you authorize the full suite of Individual Assistance programs (including, but not limited to, Disaster Unemployment Assistance, Disaster Legal Services, Disaster Case Management, Crisis Counseling and Training Programs, and Mass Care and Emergency Assistance) and Public Assistance Category B funding (Emergency Protective Measures), including direct Federal Assistance for all Nevada counties and federally recognized Indian tribes. Nevada is one of eleven states in the country to secure an approved enhanced Mitigation Plan, which demonstrates that the state is effectively using existing mitigation programs. Nevada is requesting mitigation under this major declaration request, and we are committed to a comprehensive state mitigation process with pre-disaster and post-disaster mitigation and recovery operations.

Justin Luna, the Chief of the Division of Emergency Management within the Department of Public Safety, has been designated as the Governor's Authorized Representative and the State Coordinating Officer for this request. Chief Luna will work with FEMA on this request and will provide further information or justification, if needed.

Thank you for your expedited consideration, and I look forward to your response and assistance. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,



Governor Steve Sisolak  
State of Nevada

Cc: Major General Ondra Berry, The Adjutant General of the Nevada National Guard  
Justin Luna, Chief of the Nevada Division of Emergency Management

Enclosures

1. Request Date Mar 31, 2020

# 10. Joint Preliminary Damage Assessment\*

☒ Individual Assistance      Dates Performed      Requested Jan 20, 2020      Start \_\_\_\_\_      End \_\_\_\_\_

Individual Assistance Accessibility Problems (Areas that could not be accessed, and why)  
The traditional preliminary damage assessment was not completed due to the nature of the disaster. The letter attached outlines the specific damages.

☒ Public Assistance      Dates Performed      Requested Jan 20, 2020      Start \_\_\_\_\_      End Continuing

Public Assistance Accessibility Problems (Areas that could not be accessed, and why)  
The traditional preliminary damage assessment was not completed due to the nature of the disaster. The letter attached outlines the specific damages. Nevada will continue to collect virtual damage assessment information through the grants portal to include in the project worksheet process.

## 11. Programs and Areas Requested

Individual Assistance ☐ N/A    ☐ Individuals and Households Program    ☐ Crisis Counseling Program    ☐ Disaster Unemployment Assistance

☒ All    ☐ Disaster Case Management    ☐ Disaster Legal Services    ☐ Small Business Administration (SBA) Disaster Assistance

For the following jurisdictions, specify programs and areas (counties, parishes, independent cities; for Indian tribal government, list tribe(s) and/or tribal area(s)) If additional space is needed, please enclose additional documentation).

All counties in the State of Nevada and Federally-recognized Tribes in the State of Nevada that opt to submit claims through the State; however, some Federally-recognized Tribes may opt to go to FEMA direct. Nevada is ready to support any tribes as requested which may include: Confederated Tribes of the Goshute Reservation (Nevada and Utah), Duckwater Shoshone Tribe of the Duckwater Reservation, Ely Shoshone Tribe of Nevada Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone Tribes of the Fort McDermitt Indian Reservation (Nevada and Oregon), Fort Mojave Indian Tribe (Arizona, California and Nevada), Las Vegas Tribe of Paiute Indians of the Las Vegas Indian Colony, Lovelock Paiute Tribe of the Lovelock Indian Colony, Moapa Band of Paiute Indians of the Moapa River Indian Reservation, Paiute-Shoshone Tribe of the Fallon Reservation and Colony, Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe of the Pyramid Lake Reservation, Reno-Sparks Indian Colony, Shoshone-Paiute Tribes of the Duck Valley Reservation, Summit Lake Paiute Tribe of Nevada, Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone Indians of Nevada (Four constituent bands: Battle Mountain Band; Elko Band; South Fork Band; Wells Band), Walker River Paiute Tribe of the Walker River Reservation, Washoe Tribe (Nevada and California) (Carson Colony, Dresslerville Colony, Woodfords Community, Stewart Community and Washoe Ranches), Winnemucca Indian Colony of Nevada, Yerington Paiute Tribe of the Yerington Colony and Campbell Ranch and Yomba Shoshone Tribe of the Yomba Reservation

For States, identify Federally-recognized Tribes in the requested counties (if applicable).  
All Federally-recognized Tribes in the State of Nevada that opt to submit claims through the State; however, some Federally-recognized Tribes may opt to go to FEMA direct. Nevada is ready to support any of the Federally-recognized Tribes listed above, as requested.

Please see **Enclosure A: Supplemental Information for Individual Assistance** for additional information in support of this request\*.

*\*Not Required for Emergency Declaration Request*

**11. Programs and Areas Requested (Continued)**

Public Assistance    ☐ N/A    ☐ Debris Removal (Category A)    ☒ Emergency Protective Measures (Category B)    ☐ Permanent Work (Categories C-G)\* (not available for Emergency Declaration Requests)

For the following jurisdictions, specify programs and areas (counties, parishes, independent cities; for Indian tribal government, list tribe(s) and/or tribal area(s)). If additional space is needed or your request includes different categories of work for different jurisdictions; please enclose additional documentation.  
Continue category B protective measures under FEMA-3443-EM for all counties and Federally-recognized Tribes within the state (listed above).

For States, identify Federally-recognized Tribes included in the requested counties (if applicable).  
All Federally-recognized Tribes in the State of Nevada that opt to submit claims through the State; however, some Federally-recognized Tribes may opt to go to FEMA direct. Nevada is ready to support any of the Federally-recognized Tribes listed above, as requested.

Please see **Enclosure B: Supplemental Information for Public Assistance** for additional information in support of this request\*.

**Indemnification for Debris Removal Activity**

☒ I do not anticipate the need for debris removal.

☐ I anticipate the need for debris removal, which poses an immediate threat to lives, public health and safety. Pursuant to Sections 403 and 407 of the Stafford Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 5170b & 5173, the State or Indian tribal government agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the United States of America for any claims arising from the removal of debris or wreckage for this disaster. The State or Indian tribal government agrees that debris removal from public and private property will not occur until the landowner signs an unconditional authorization for the removal of debris.

**Request for Direct Federal Assistance**

☐ I do not request direct Federal assistance at this time.

☒ I request direct Federal assistance for work and services to save lives and protect property, and:

a. I request the following type(s) of assistance:  
Nevada needs federal support to state, local, and tribal jurisdictions to equip medical professionals and first responders with personal protective equipment, medical equipment, testing supplies, testing facilities, medical triage, emergency medical treatment, specialized medical equipment, and additional medical facilities to slow the spread of COVID-19.

b. List of reasons why State and local or Indian tribal government cannot perform, or contract for, required work and services.  
The COVID-19 pandemic has overwhelmed public and private healthcare facilities across the state. As the pandemic continues to expand, front-line health care workers will be unable to adequately address the medical needs of patients with health concerns, both related and unrelated, to COVID-19. The State urgently requires additional supplemental federal emergency assistance to save lives, protect public health and safety, and limit further spread of the disease.

c. In accordance with 44 C.F.R. § 206.208, the State or Indian tribal government agrees that it will, with respect to direct Federal assistance: (1) Provide without cost to the United States all lands, easements, and rights-of-ways necessary to accomplish the approved work; (2) Hold and save the United States free from damages due to the requested work, and shall indemnify the Federal Government against any claims arising from such work; (3) Provide reimbursement to FEMA for the non-Federal share of the cost of such work in accordance with the provisions of the FEMA-State or FEMA-Tribe Agreements; and (4) Assist the performing Federal agency in all support and local jurisdictional matters.

**Request for Snow Assistance**

☒ N/A    ☐ I request snow assistance.

Snow assistance for the following jurisdictions (Specify counties, independent cities or tribes and/or tribal areas).  
N/A

Please see **Enclosure D: Historic and Current Snowfall Data** for additional information in support of this request\*.

\*Not Required for Emergency Declaration Request



## 11. Programs and Areas Requested (Continued)

Hazard Mitigation\* ☒ Statewide

OR

For the following specific counties, parishes, independent cities or tribes and/or tribal areas.

Nevada is requesting for all counties and Federally-recognized Tribes within the State. Nevada is one of eleven states in the United States to secure an approved Enhanced Mitigation Plan, which demonstrates that the State is effectively using existing mitigation programs. Nevada is committed to a comprehensive state mitigation process with pre-disaster and post-disaster mitigation and recovery operations.

## 12. Mitigation Plan Information\*

a. Mitigation Plan Expiration Date October, 2023

b. Type of Plan

☒ Enhanced☐ Standard

## 13. Other Federal Agency Programs

☐ I do not anticipate requirements from Other Federal Agencies☒ I do anticipate requirements from Other Federal AgenciesPlease see **Enclosure C: Requirements for Other Federal Agency Programs** for additional information in support of this request\*.

## 14. Findings and Certifications

☒ I certify the following:

a. I have determined that this incident is of such severity and magnitude that effective response is beyond the capabilities of the State and the affected local government or Indian tribal government and that supplementary federal assistance is necessary.

b. In response to this incident, I have taken appropriate action under State or tribal law and have directed the execution of the State or Tribal Emergency Plan on Mar 12, 2020 in accordance with the Stafford Act.

c. The State and local governments, or Indian tribal government will assume all applicable non-Federal share of costs required by the Stafford Act.

## 15. List of Enclosures and Supporting Documentation

☒ Cover Letter ☒ Enclosure A (Individual Assistance)\*☒ Enclosure B (Public Assistance)\*☐ Enclosure C (Requirements for Other Federal Agency Programs)☐ Enclosure D (Historic and Current Snowfall Data)☒ Additional Supporting Documentation 502(f) Request from Governor Sisolak

  
Governor or Tribal Chief Executive's Signature

3-31-20
  
Date

If anyone except the Governor or Tribal Chief Executive signs this document, please provide the documentation that establishes that this individual has the legal authority to act on behalf of the Governor or Tribal Chief Executive.

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## Office of Governor Steve Sisolak

March 22, 2020

Honorable Mark T. Esper  
Secretary of Defense  
1000 Defense Pentagon Washington, DC 20301-1000

Dear Secretary Esper:

I am writing to ask that you approve federal funding and authority for use of the Nevada National Guard forces in Title 32 U.S.C. §502 (f) Operational Support status to respond to the emergency resulting from the spread of the COVID-19 virus. This request for 32 USC §502(f)(2) authority is in accordance with DoDI 3025.22 and is in compliance with Nevada law. I request that you extend this funding and authority to August 31, 2020, unless withdrawn earlier. I anticipate this will require up to 4,500 Nevada National Guard personnel to respond to this emergency. At the present time, I have not activated the Nevada National Guard in any capacity, to include State Active Duty.

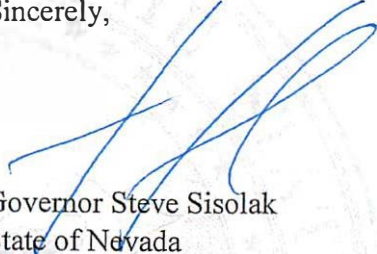
I declared a state of emergency in the State of Nevada on March 13 to activate Nevada's emergency operations center and the Nevada Health Response Team to lead the fight against COVID-19. On March 13, President Trump declared a nationwide emergency pursuant to Sec. 501(b) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5207 (the "Stafford Act") to increase federal support to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) in its role as the lead federal agency for the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic response. Federal and state governments across the nation are taking preventative and proactive measures to slow the spread of the virus and treat to those affected. These measures are having an extreme economic impact on the state of Nevada including an unprecedented shutting down all non-essential business for 30 days. This includes all casinos in the State, our leading industry.

The Nevada National Guard (NVNG) is trained and equipped to assist the State of Nevada in responding to this emergency. If activated, the NVNG could assist in the movement of critical supplies for medical facilities and could also assist in storing those supplies at its facilities throughout the State. The NVNG can also assist in the movement of food and water in order to assist agencies who are providing critical support to homebound citizens. Additionally, the NVNG could assist by setting up temporary facilities, such as testing facilities or tents that can be set up on hospital grounds. The NVNG has medical personnel who do not work in the medical field in their civilian jobs who can be used to assist overworked medical staff at hospitals and clinics.

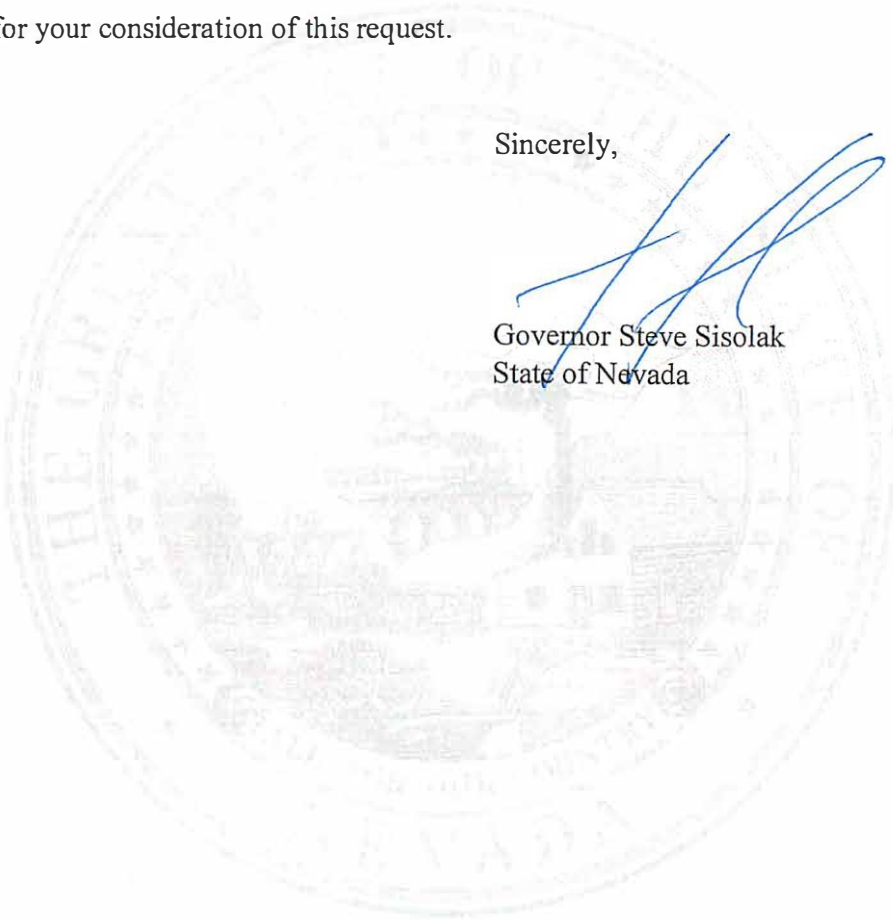
In accordance with DoDI 3025.22, I request 32 U.S.C. §502(f) Operational Support funding and authority to utilize the Nevada National Guard to protect Nevada and the nation as a whole. The Nevada National Guard is the most appropriate military force to perform Defense Support to Civil Authorities (DSCA) missions in Nevada because they reside here, and they are trained and ready to respond here in Nevada. Further, duty in a 32 U.S.C. §502(f) is the appropriate duty status given the magnitude of this crisis on a national scale and due to the fact that the limitations imposed by the Posse Comitatus Act (18 U.S.C. § 1385) do not apply to the National Guard under state command and control.

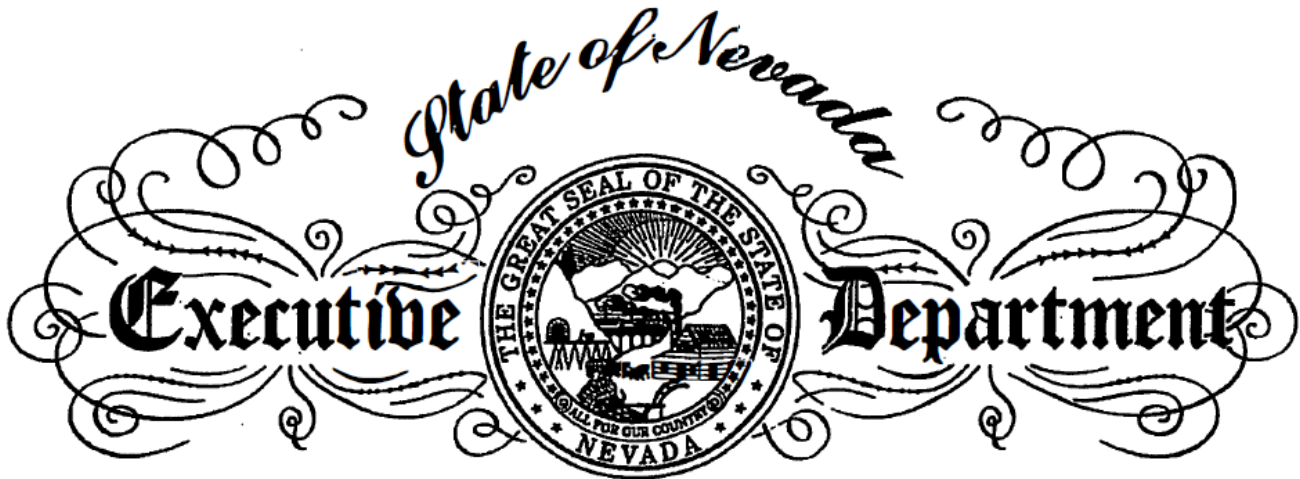
Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



Governor Steve Sisolak  
State of Nevada





## DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

**WHEREAS**, Nevada Revised Statutes, Chapter 414, authorizes the Governor to issue a proclamation declaring a state of emergency when a natural emergency or disaster of major proportions has occurred within this state, and the assistance of state agencies is needed to supplement the efforts and capabilities of political subdivisions to save lives, protect property, and protect the health and safety of persons in this state, particularly through a coordinated response; and

**WHEREAS**, the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) are responding to an outbreak of a respiratory illness that has since been confirmed in numerous countries including the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, the respiratory disease has been named coronavirus disease 2019, abbreviated as COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 outbreak a pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Nevada has been coordinating with the federal government, as well as local health authorities, health care facilities, and providers of health care to prepare for, and identify possible cases of COVID-19 in the State of Nevada; and

**WHEREAS**, the nearby states of California, Washington, Oregon, Arizona, and Utah have been impacted by COVID-19 and have already declared a state of emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, there are multiple confirmed and presumptive cases of COVID-19 in the State of Nevada; and

**WHEREAS**, the Nevada Department of Health and Human Services is working with local health authorities to identify any other potential cases of COVID-19 in the State; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Medical Officer has reported that a public health emergency exists in the State; and

*WHEREAS*, the Governor has determined that the State of Nevada is experiencing events that require a coordinated response for the health and safety of the public; and

*WHEREAS*, Article 5, Section 1 of the Nevada Constitution provides: "The supreme executive power of this State, shall be vested in a Chief Magistrate who shall be Governor of the State of Nevada."

*NOW THEREFORE*, I, Steve Sisolak, Governor of the State of Nevada, pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Nevada, hereby declare an emergency and direct all state agencies to supplement the efforts of all impacted and threatened counties to save lives, protect property, and protect the health and safety of persons in this state. Under my authority, I will perform and exercise such other functions, powers, and duties as are necessary to promote and secure the safety and protection of the civilian population.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

SECTION 1: The State Emergency Operations Center be activated to coordinate a response to minimize the impacts, and prevent the further transmission of, COVID-19 to persons in this state; and

SECTION 2: An Emergency Team be established to coordinate the response to COVID-19; and

SECTION 3: The Emergency Team will consult with the Nevada Tribal Emergency Coordinating Council to ensure a coordinated response to COVID-19; and

SECTION 4: The Administrator of the State Purchasing Division, pursuant to Nevada Administrative Code 333.114, to the extent necessary, may authorize an emergency purchase for any amount, or provide the using agency with written authorization for the emergency purchase, including, without limitation, a description of the justification for authorizing the emergency purchase, and suspend the standard procurement process to allow the purchase of food, supplies, services, and equipment; and

SECTION 5: Law enforcement, including the Nevada Attorney General, will diligently monitor and investigate a coordinated increase in prices for goods or services, and particularly goods or services necessary for the health and safety of the public or that result in economic hardships, making false representations, "bait and switch" practices, failure to disclose material facts in conjunction with the sale of goods or services, or the use of coercion, duress, or intimidation in a transaction in violation of consumer protection laws; and

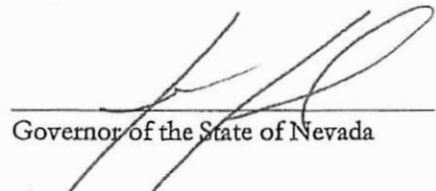
SECTION 6: Law enforcement, including the Nevada Attorney General, will diligently ensure that persons or corporations act and perform in a lawful manner which ensures the safety, health, comfort, or repose of any considerable number of the public, do not offend public decency, or in any way renders a considerable number of persons insecure in life or the use of property.

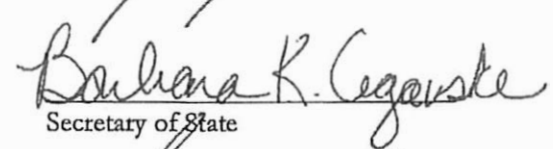


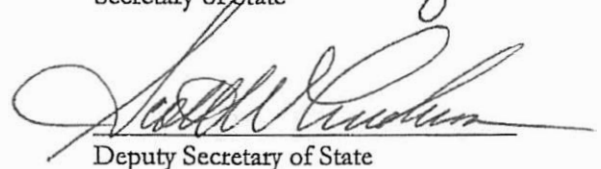
SECTION 7: This declaration will remain in effect until the Chief Medical Officer notifies the Governor that the health event has been abated and the Governor issues an order terminating the emergency.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nevada to be affixed at the State Capitol in Carson City, this 12th day of March, in the year two thousand twenty.

  
Governor of the State of Nevada

  
Secretary of State

  
Deputy Secretary of State



### DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY DIRECTIVE

**WHEREAS**, on March 12, 2020, I, Steve Sisolak, Governor of the State of Nevada issued a Declaration of Emergency to facilitate the State's response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, Donald J. Trump, President of the United States declared a nationwide emergency pursuant to Sec. 501(b) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5207 (the "Stafford Act"); and

**WHEREAS**, Nevada Revised Statutes, Chapter 414, provides that in times of emergency the Governor may exercise all powers necessary to promote and secure the safety and protection of the civilian population; and

**WHEREAS**, the World Health Organization, and United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have advised that there is a correlation between density of persons gathered and the risk of transmission of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, school instruction and education necessarily involve the gathering of students in close proximity to each other; and

**WHEREAS**, close proximity with other persons over extended periods is currently contraindicated by public health and medical best practices to combat COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, Article 5, Section 1 of the Nevada Constitution provides: "The supreme executive power of this State, shall be vested in a Chief Magistrate who shall be Governor of the State of Nevada";

**NOW THEREFORE**, by the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Nevada and the United States, and pursuant to the March 12, 2020 Emergency Declaration, I, Steve Sisolak,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

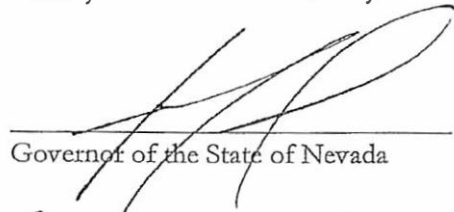
SECTION 1: All kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade schools will close to students effective March 16, 2020 until this Order is rescinded; and

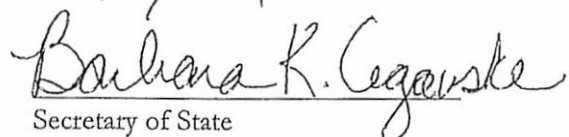
SECTION 2: This Order shall include all public, community, and private K-12 schools in the state, but does not apply to childcare services such as daycare centers and home-based childcare providers; and

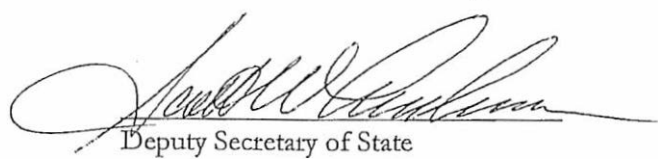
SECTION 3: Schools may reopen no earlier than April 6, 2020, and only upon the approval of the Chief Medical Officer of the State of Nevada after a review the risk of transmission within the geographic area defined by the Chief Medical Officer.

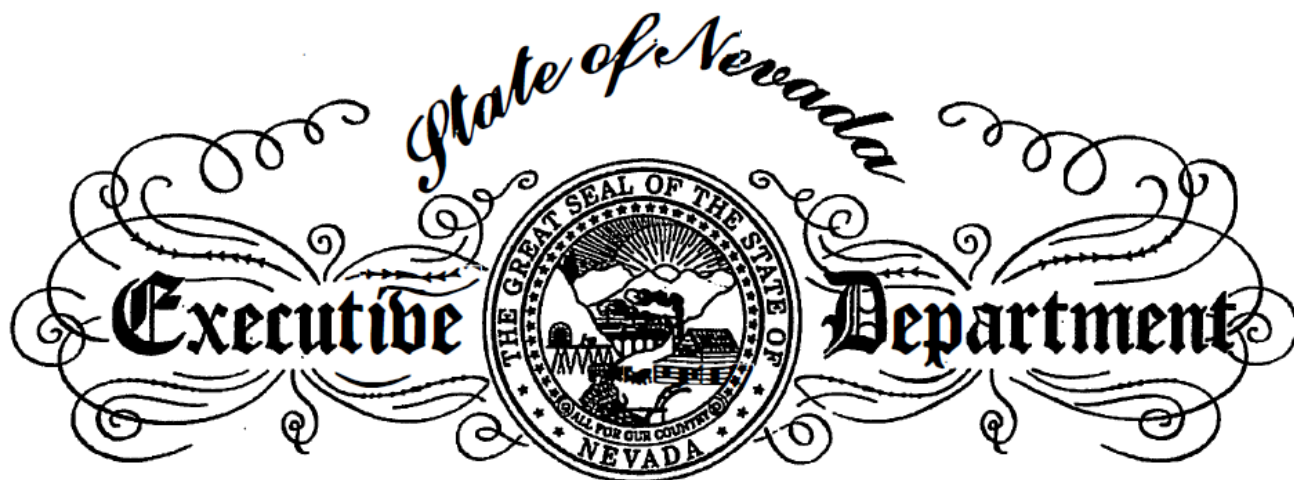
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nevada to be affixed at the State Capitol in Carson City, this 15th day of March, in the year two thousand twenty.



  
Governor of the State of Nevada

  
Secretary of State

  
Deputy Secretary of State



DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY  
DIRECTIVE 002

**WHEREAS**, on March 12, 2020, I, Steve Sisolak, Governor of the State of Nevada issued a Declaration of Emergency to facilitate the State's response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, Donald J. Trump, President of the United States declared a nationwide emergency pursuant to Sec. 501(b) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5207 (the "Stafford Act"); and

**WHEREAS**, Nevada Revised Statutes, Chapter 414, provides that in times of emergency the Governor may exercise all powers necessary to promote and secure the safety and protection of the civilian population; and

**WHEREAS**, the World Health Organization, and United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have advised that there is a correlation between density of persons gathered and the risk of transmission of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, close proximity to other persons is currently contraindicated by public health and medical best practices to combat COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, recreational social gatherings unnecessarily extend periods of interpersonal contact and promulgates spread of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, certain nonessential activities result in the congregation of persons for extended periods of time; and

**WHEREAS**, NRS 414 outlines powers and duties delegated to the Governor during the existence of a state of emergency, including without limitation, directing and controlling the conduct of the general public and the movement and cessation of movement of pedestrians and vehicular traffic during, before and after exercises or an emergency or disaster, public meetings or gatherings; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor, in consultation with the Chair of the Nevada Gaming Control Board and upon the advice of public health experts has determined it is necessary to take extraordinary measures to protect the Nevada public and individuals who work in the Gaming Industry; and

*WHEREAS*, Article 5, Section 1 of the Nevada Constitution provides: "The supreme executive power of this State, shall be vested in a Chief Magistrate who shall be Governor of the State of Nevada;" and

*WHEREAS*, on March 17, 2020, I verbally ordered implementation of the following measure,

*NOW THEREFORE*, by the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Nevada and the United States, and pursuant to the March 12, 2020, Emergency Declaration,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

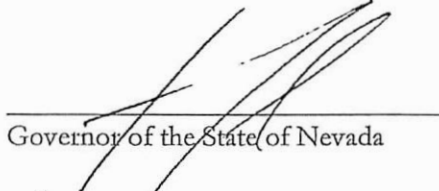
SECTION 1: The Nevada general public shall cease gathering at gaming establishments, and all gaming devices, machines, tables, games, and any equipment related to gaming activity shall cease operations effective March 17, 2020, at 11 :59 p.m., for the duration that this Directive shall be in effect. This prohibition does not extend to licensed online gaming or mobile wagering operations; and


SECTION 2: Gaming licensees who offer hotel accommodations may remain open if needed to avoid guest displacement or for essential or emergency purposes; and

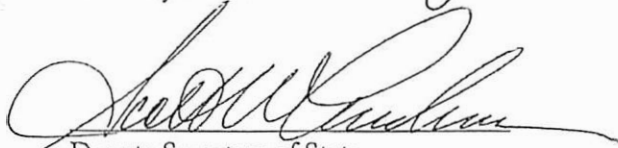
SECTION 3: This Directive shall remain in effect until April 16, 2020, unless renewed by a subsequent Directive promulgated pursuant to the March 12, 2020, Declaration of Emergency to facilitate the State's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.



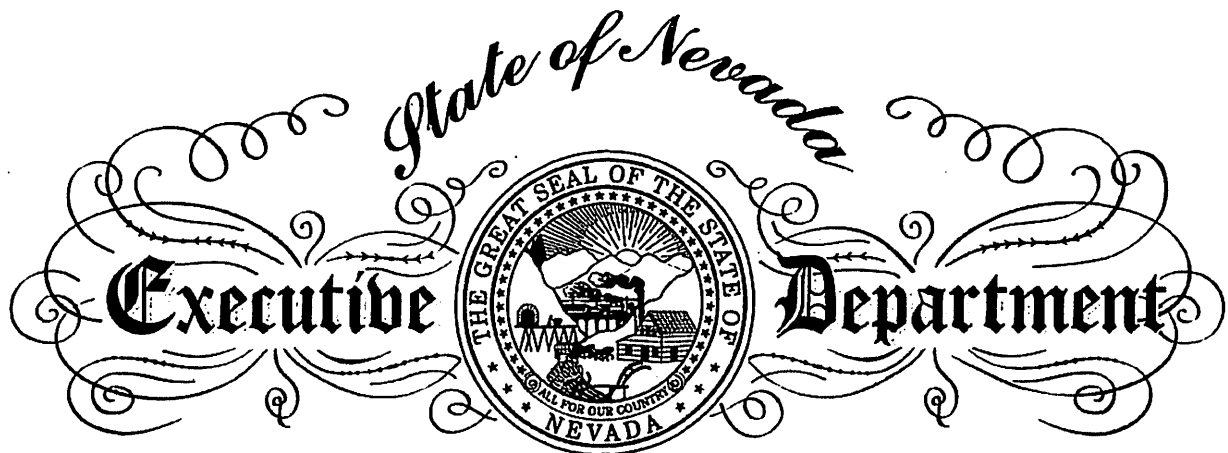
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nevada to be affixed at the State Capitol in Carson City, this 18th day of March, in the year two thousand twenty.

  
Governor of the State of Nevada

  
Secretary of State

  
Deputy Secretary of State





DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY  
DIRECTIVE 003

**WHEREAS**, on March 12, 2020, I, Steve Sisolak, Governor of the State of Nevada issued a Declaration of Emergency to facilitate the State's response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, Donald J. Trump, President of the United States declared a nationwide emergency pursuant to Sec. 501(b) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5207 (the "Stafford Act"); and

**WHEREAS**, the World Health Organization and United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have advised that there is a correlation between density of persons gathered and the risk of transmission of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, close proximity to other persons is currently contraindicated by public health and medical best practices to combat COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, recreational social gatherings unnecessarily extend periods of interpersonal contact and promulgates spread of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, certain non-essential activities result in the congregation of persons for extended periods of time; and

**WHEREAS**, fire services, law enforcement agencies, emergency medical services, and public safety agencies are essential to the welfare, safety, and health of our communities; and

**WHEREAS**, NRS 414.060 outlines powers and duties delegated to the Governor during the existence of a state of emergency, including without limitation, directing and controlling the conduct of the general public and the movement and cessation of movement of pedestrians and vehicular traffic during, before and after exercises or an emergency or disaster, public meetings or gatherings; and

**WHEREAS**, NRS 414.070 outlines additional powers delegated to the Governor during the existence of a state of emergency, including without limitation, enforcing all laws and regulations relating to emergency management and assuming direct operational control of any or all forces, including, without limitation, volunteers and auxiliary staff for emergency management in the State; providing for and compelling the evacuation of all or part of the population from any stricken or threatened area or areas within the State and to take such steps as are necessary for the receipt and care of those

persons; and performing and exercising such other functions, powers and duties as are necessary to promote and secure the safety and protection of the civilian population; and

**WHEREAS**, NRS 414.090 limits the powers of political subdivisions in the event of an emergency, and provides that counties shall, and cities may, in pertinent part establish local organizations for emergency management in accordance with the state emergency management plan and program for emergency management; enter into contracts and incur obligations necessary to combat such an emergency or disaster, protect the health and safety of persons and property and provide emergency assistance to the victims of such an emergency or disaster; and exercise the powers vested under NRS 414.090 in the light of the exigencies of the extreme emergency or disaster without regard to time-consuming procedures and formalities prescribed by law, except constitutional requirements, pertaining to the performance of public work, entering into contracts, the incurring of obligations, the employment of temporary workers, the rental of equipment, the purchase of supplies and materials, the levying of taxes, and the appropriation and expenditure of public funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the Nevada Attorney General opined in Opinion Number 57-336 that "[t]here can be no question but that the Legislature intended to give to the Governor the broadest possible powers consistent with constitutional government in a time of dire emergency;" and

**WHEREAS**, the Nevada Attorney General opined in Opinion Number 95-03 that, in the context of the Governor's exercise of powers under NRS Chapter 414, municipalities exceed their statutory authority in adopting emergency powers that:

- Establish a curfew allowing only authorized persons in public places;
- Forbid or limit the number of persons who may gather or congregate in public places;
- Prohibit or restrict traffic on public streets and roads;
- Prohibit the sale or distribution of gasoline (or other flammable/combustible), except in vehicle gas tanks or other proper container;
- Close businesses which sell gasoline (or other flammable/combustible);
- Prohibit the sale or distribution of alcohol;
- Close businesses which sell alcohol;
- Prohibit the sale or distribution of guns, ammunition or explosives; or
- Close businesses which sell guns, ammunition or explosives; and

**WHEREAS**, the Nevada Attorney General further opined in Opinion Number 95-03 that such powers as outlined immediately above, if enacted, would be preempted by other grants of power set forth in Chapter 414 and elsewhere; and

**WHEREAS**, Article 5, Section 1 of the Nevada Constitution provides: "The supreme executive power of this State, shall be vested in a Chief Magistrate who shall be Governor of the State of Nevada;" and

**WHEREAS**, on March 17, 2020, I directed Nevadans to implement the following measures; and

**WHEREAS**, non-essential businesses continue to operate and avail themselves to the general public, further exacerbating the public health emergency:

**NOW THEREFORE**, by the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Nevada and the United States, and pursuant to the March 12, 2020, Emergency Declaration,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

SECTION 1: Non-Essential Businesses, as further defined in regulations promulgated under this Directive, that promote recreational social gathering activities including, but not limited to, recreation centers, clubhouses, nightclubs, movie theaters, massage parlors, adult entertainment establishments, brothels, and live entertainment venues, and any other such Non-Essential Business shall close effective March 20, 2020, at 11:59 p.m., for the duration that this Directive shall be in effect.

SECTION 2: Non-Essential Businesses that promote extended periods of public interaction where the risk of transmission is high, including fitness establishments such as gyms and studios; aesthetic services such as beauty shops, barber shops, nail salons, tanning salons, and wax salons; and any other such Non-Essential Business shall close effective March 20, 2020, at 11:59 p.m., for the duration that this Directive shall be in effect.

SECTION 3: The Nevada general public may utilize restaurants and food establishments serving prepared meals. Such establishments may continue serving the public, but shall cease onsite dining effective March 20, 2020 at 11:59 p.m., for the duration that this Directive shall be in effect. Food establishments open to the Nevada general public shall only serve customers through a take-out, drive-through, curbside pickup, or delivery capacity. Food establishments shall adopt COVID-19 risk mitigation policies including, but not limited to:

- To the extent practicable, ensuring that customers receiving orders outside the food establishment maintain adequate social distancing practices by not congregating within a minimum of six feet of separation between each other. This social distancing requirement does not apply to persons residing in the same household.
- To the extent practicable, disallowing the formation of queues whereby persons congregate in a manner that violates the social distancing guidelines above.
- Adopting contactless payment systems whenever possible.
- All food workers must strictly abide by all applicable hygiene guidelines including handwashing and glove requirements.
- Follow United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention sanitization recommendations, including disinfecting surfaces routinely and at frequent intervals throughout the workday.

SECTION 4: An Essential Licensed Business, including but not limited to, and as further defined in regulations promulgated under this Directive, healthcare providers, veterinary services, grocery stores, pharmacies, financial institutions, hardware stores, convenience stores, security services, and gas stations, is encouraged to continue operation, but must adopt COVID-19 risk mitigation measures that reduce the risk of community disease spread, including but not limited to:

- Providing curbside, pickup, or delivery of goods whenever possible.
- Ensuring that customers picking up or accepting curbside delivery of goods maintain adequate social distancing practices by not congregating within a minimum of six feet of separation between each other as practicable. This

social distancing requirement does not apply to persons residing in the same household.

- Disallowing the formation of queues whereby persons congregate in a manner that violates the social distancing guidelines above as practicable.
- Adopting contactless payment systems, as further defined in regulations promulgated under this Directive, whenever possible.
- An Essential Licensed Business that is unable to provide take-out, drive-through services, curbside pickup, or delivery of goods must limit access to its premises so that customers can maintain a minimum of six feet of separation between each other as practicable.
- An Essential Licensed Business that is unable to provide takeout, drive through, curbside pickup, or delivery of goods must implement sanitation and disinfection policies that comply with United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention sanitization recommendations, including disinfecting surfaces routinely and at frequent intervals throughout the workday.

SECTION 5: Retail cannabis dispensaries may operate by delivery only pursuant to the guidance that shall be issued by the Department of Taxation in conjunction with the Cannabis Compliance Board effective March 20, 2020, at 11:59 p.m.

SECTION 6: The construction, mining, manufacturing, and infrastructure sector labor force may continue operations, but shall maintain strict social distancing practices to facilitate a minimum of six feet of separation between workers, and to adopt policies and practices that ensure minimum contact between the workforce and the general public. This social distancing restriction shall not be construed to supersede any safety practices imposed on the industry by state or federal law. Business sectors operating under this authority must comply with any applicable COVID-19 risk mitigation policies, as further defined in regulations promulgated under this Directive, and any precautionary measures and guidance that shall be promulgated by Nevada Department of Business and Industry.

SECTION 7: This Directive shall not be construed to hinder the ability of the industries identified in the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Cyber & Infrastructure Security Agency Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce memorandum dated March 19, 2020 to continue their operation appropriately modified to account for Centers for Disease Control (CDC) workforce and consumer protection guidance.

SECTION 8: Businesses not delineated above or in regulations promulgated under this Directive may continue operations, not to include retail sales, if they are able to implement social distancing safeguards for the protection of their employees and:

- Perform operations without contact with the Nevada general public; or
- To the extent practicable, provide services without causing members of the Nevada general public to congregate in a manner contrary to social distancing goals of a minimum of six feet of separation for more than incidental contact; or
- Provide services without causing more than ten members of the Nevada general public to congregate.

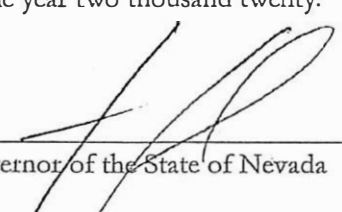
SECTION 9: Businesses that do not comply with this Directive or regulations promulgated under this Directive, after receiving written notice from law enforcement, may be subject to criminal prosecution and civil penalties under NRS 202.595, NRS 202.450, and any other applicable statute, ordinance, or regulation. All law enforcement agencies in the State of Nevada are authorized to enforce this Directive and regulations promulgated under this Directive. The Office of the Attorney General is given concurrent jurisdiction to prosecute violations of this Directive and any regulations promulgated thereunder.

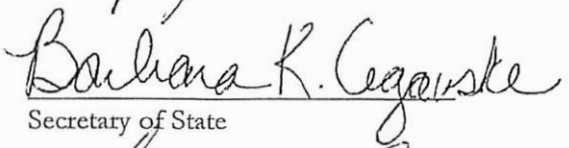
SECTION 10: Pursuant to NRS 414.060(3)(f), I hereby authorize all local, city, and county governments to enforce this Directive and regulations promulgated thereunder. This includes, but is not limited to, suspending a license, revoking a license, or issuing penalties for violating business, professional, liquor, tobacco, or gaming licenses issued by the local jurisdiction for actions that jeopardize the health, safety, or welfare of the public; conduct which may injuriously affect the public health, safety, or welfare; conduct that may be detrimental to the public peace, health, or morals; or any other applicable ordinance or requirement for such a license.

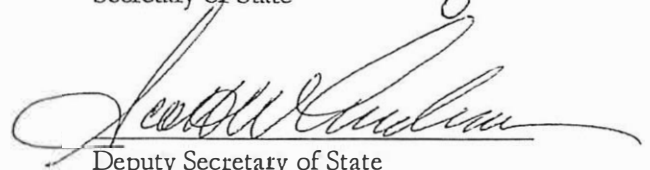
SECTION 11: This Directive shall remain in effect until April 16, 2020, unless renewed by a subsequent Directive promulgated pursuant to the March 12, 2020 Declaration of Emergency to facilitate the State's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.



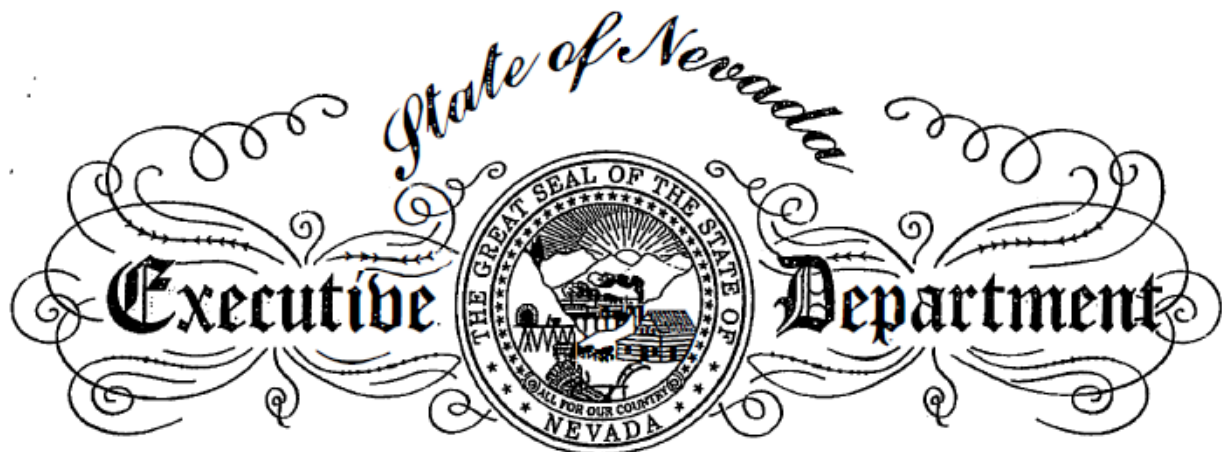
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nevada to be affixed at the State Capitol in Carson City, this 20th day of March, in the year two thousand twenty.

  
Governor of the State of Nevada

  
Secretary of State

  
Deputy Secretary of State





**DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY  
DIRECTIVE 004**

**WHEREAS**, on March 12, 2020, I Steve Sisolak, Governor of the State of Nevada issued a Declaration of Emergency to facilitate the State's response to COVID19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, Donald J. Trump, President of the United States declared a nationwide emergency pursuant to Sec. 501(b) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5207 (the "Stafford Act"); and

**WHEREAS**, Nevada Revised Statutes, Chapter 414, provides that in times of emergency the Governor may exercise all powers necessary to promote and secure the safety and protection of the civilian population; and

**WHEREAS**, the World Health Organization, and the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has advised that there is a correlation between density of persons gathered and the risk of transmission of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, I have ordered all state offices to be closed to the public as soon as possible; and

**WHEREAS**, close proximity to other persons over an extended period is currently contraindicated by public health and medical best practices to combat COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of the State of Nevada are legally required to perform many duties, including, but not limited to, obtaining and renewing driver's licenses, registering vehicles for operation on Nevada's roadways, and obtaining licenses for various occupations through the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV); and

**WHEREAS**, many citizens of the State of Nevada must carry out these legal duties at the offices of the DMV located throughout the State of Nevada; and

**WHEREAS**, it is not in the best interest of the health and safety of the citizens of the State of Nevada to be present at the offices of the DMV throughout the State of Nevada; and

**WHEREAS**, Article 5, Section 1 of the Nevada Constitution provides: "The Supreme executive power of this State, shall vest in a Chief Magistrate who shall be Governor of the State of Nevada.";

*NOW THEREFORE*, by the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and laws of the State of Nevada, and the United States, and pursuant to the March 12, 2020 Emergency Declaration,

IT IS HEREBY ORDER THAT:

SECTION 1: DMV offices are required to be closed to the public until at least April 16, 2020 to minimize the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

SECTION 2: The expiration date on all non-commercial and commercial driver licenses, non-commercial and commercial instruction permits, identification cards, or Driver Authorization Cards (DAC) issued pursuant to NRS Chapter 483 will be extended for a period of 90 days from the expiration date shown on the license, permit, identification card, or DAC for those licenses, permits, identification cards, or DAC expiring during the time period of March 16, 2020 through April 30, 2020. The DMV will take no administrative action against a person or business pursuant to NRS Chapter 483 during the time the offices are closed. All applications for driver licenses, instruction permits, identification cards, or DAC renewals will be processed once DMV offices reopen without penalties being applied if renewed prior to the end of the 90-day extension period.

SECTION 3: Residents are strongly encouraged to timely renew their vehicle registrations and off-highway vehicle registrations through the DMV's website, portal, or kiosks. The expiration date on all vehicle or off-highway vehicle registrations issued pursuant to NRS Chapters 482 or 490 will be extended for a period of 90 days from the expiration date shown on the registration for those registrations expiring during the time period of March 16, 2020 through April 30, 2020. The DMV will take no administrative action against a person or business pursuant to NRS Chapters 482 or 490 during the time the DMV offices are closed. All applications for vehicle registration or off-highway vehicle registration renewal will be processed once the offices reopen without penalties being applied if renewed prior to the end of the 90-day extension period. Pursuant to NRS Chapter 485, the DMV office closures and 90-day extension for vehicle or off-highway vehicle registration does not relieve residents of their responsibility to maintain continuous vehicle liability insurance coverage.

SECTION 4: The expiration date on all active business and occupational licenses, including those dependent on the payment of a renewal fee, regulatory fine, or submission of mandatory reporting forms, issued by the DMV for new and used car dealerships, salespersons, automobile wreckers and dismantlers, body shops, garages, emissions stations, emissions inspectors, drive schools, short- and long-term lessors, and salvage pools, are extended for a period of 90 days from the expiration date shown on the license or registration for those licenses or registrations expiring during the time period of March 16, 2020 and April 30, 2020. The DMV will take no administrative action against a person or business pursuant to NRS Chapters 482, 483, 487, or 445B during the time the DMV offices are closed. All applications for business license renewals will be processed once the offices reopen without penalties being applied if renewed prior to the end of the 90-day extension period.

SECTION 5: All autonomous vehicle testing licenses issued pursuant to NRS Chapter 482A are extended for a period of 90 days from the expiration date shown on the testing license for those testing licenses expiring during the time period of March 16, 2020 through

April 30, 2020. All new test licenses or renewal licenses will be processed once the offices reopen without penalties being applied if renewed prior to the end of the 90-day extension period.

SECTION 6: The DMV's responsibilities under NRS Chapters 239, 481, 482, 487, and 706 for vehicle appraisals, vehicle inspections, issuing salvage titles and responding to records requests, including public records requests, are suspended until the DMV offices reopen.

SECTION 7: The expiration date on all motor carrier active and temporary credentials issued pursuant to NRS Chapters 365, 366, 482, and 706 will be extended for a period of 90 days from the expiration date shown on the credential for those credentials expiring during the time period of March 16, 2020 through April 30, 2020. The DMV will take no administrative action against a person or business under NRS Chapters 365, 366, 482, or 706 during the time the DMV offices are closed. All applications for motor carrier credentials will be processed once the DMV offices reopen without penalties being applied if renewed prior to the end of the 90-day extension period.

SECTION 8: This Directive covers specific services that are necessary to extend to Nevada's residents during this challenging time. Due to the breadth of services provided by the DMV, the above list may not be all-inclusive. Therefore, for all legal functions and duties of the DMV, the Director of the DMV is authorized to extend deadlines, waive penalties, and take any other appropriate actions necessary to lessen the impact on customers and state employees caused by the closure of the DMV's offices statewide.

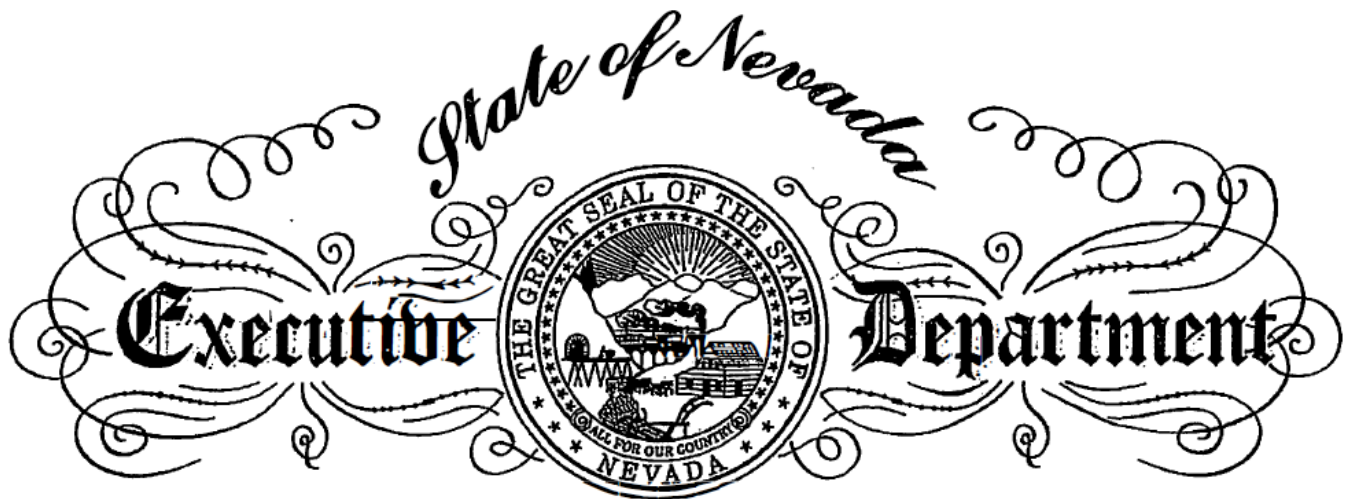
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nevada to be affixed at the State Capitol in Carson City, this 20th day of March, in the year two thousand twenty.



Governor of the State of Nevada

Barbara K. Cegavske  
Secretary of State

Deputy Secretary of State



DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY  
DIRECTIVE 005

**WHEREAS**, on March 12, 2020, I, Steve Sisolak, Governor of the State of Nevada issued a Declaration of Emergency to facilitate the State's response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, Donald J. Trump, President of the United States declared a nationwide emergency pursuant to Sec. 501(b) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5207 (the "Stafford Act"); and

**WHEREAS**, the World Health Organization and United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have advised that there is a correlation between density of persons gathered and the risk of transmission of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, close proximity to other persons is currently contraindicated by public health and medical best practices to combat COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 15, 2020, I directed that "...[a]ll kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade schools will close to students effective March 16, 2020. . ." and "...s. may reopen no earlier than April 6, 2020, and only upon the approval of the Chief Medical Officer of the State of Nevada after a review of the risk of transmissions within the geographic areas defined by the Chief Medical Officer"; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 20, 2020, I issued Declaration of Emergency Directive 003 ordering the closure of non-essential businesses until April 16, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, County School Districts and Charter Schools and the teachers, staff, educators, administrators, and superintendents they employ are essential to the State's commitment to provide services for all students, including for disadvantaged populations, and Nevada Revised Statutes 388.132 declares that, "[p]upils are the most vital resource to the future of this State"; and

**WHEREAS**, Nevada Revised Statutes 414.060(3) states: "In performing his or her duties under this chapter and to effect its policy and purpose, the Governor may: (a) Make, amend and rescind the necessary orders and regulations to carry out the provisions of this chapter within the limits of the authority conferred upon the Governor in this chapter, with due consideration of the plans provided by the Federal Government;" and

**WHEREAS**, Nevada Revised Statutes 385.005 states: "... public education in the State of Nevada is essentially a matter for local control by local school districts"; and

**WHEREAS**, Nevada Revised Statutes 385.175 states: “The Superintendent of Public Instruction is the educational leader for the system of K-12 public education in this State”; and

**WHEREAS**, Nevada Revised Statutes 388.826 defines distance education as “[I]nstruction which is delivered by means of video, computer, television, or the Internet or other electronic means of communication, or any combination thereof, in such a manner that the person supervising or providing the instruction and the pupil receiving the instruction are separated geographically for a majority of the time during which the instruction is delivered”; and

**WHEREAS**, the closure of public school buildings and social distancing requirements make traditional in-person education impractical and unsafe during this time of emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, certain County School Districts and Charter Schools have already undertaken emergency efforts to offer distance learning to their pupils and so long as distance education is the only method available to educate the general population during this time of emergency these Emergency Programs of Distance Education need to be continued, improved upon, and expanded; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 20, 2020, United States Department of Education Secretary Betsy DeVos sent a letter to Chief State School Officers stating that “[p]ursuant to [the Secretary’s] authority under section 8401(b) of the [Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA)], [the Secretary] is inviting [states] to request a waiver, for the 2019-2020 school year, of the assessment requirements in section 1111(b)(2) of the ESEA, the accountability and school identification requirements in sections 1111(c)(4) and 1111(d)(2)(C)-(D), and certain reporting requirements related to assessments and accountability in section 1111(h)”; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 20, 2020, State Superintendent of Public Instruction John M. Ebert submitted a request for a waiver of assessments, accountability, school identification, and reporting requirements established in the ESEA to the U.S. Department of Education on behalf of the State; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 20, 2020, the State of Nevada’s request for a waiver of assessments, accountability, school identification, and reporting requirements established in the ESEA to the U.S. Department of Education was approved by the U.S. Department of Education; and

**NOW THEREFORE**, by the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Nevada and the United States, and pursuant to the March 12, 2020, Emergency Declaration,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

SECTION 1: County School Districts, Charter Schools, and Private Schools may reopen no earlier than April 16, 2020, and only upon the approval of the Chief Medical Officer of the State of Nevada after a review of the risk of transmission within the geographic area defined by the Chief Medical Officer; and

SECTION 2: County School District and Charter School administrators, licensed educators, and other staff shall continue to provide vital services and distance education to Nevada’s students as directed by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction and provide such services under the direction of their superintendents and charter school leaders throughout the period of the school building and district office site closure; and  
a. Shall be paid in accordance with local collective bargaining agreements; and

- b. May be re-assigned as necessary to support students, including support with distance learning and the instructional needs of children, food distribution, and other emerging needs; and
- c. May perform duties while away from school buildings and district office sites, including from their homes.

SECTION 3: All statutory and regulatory requirements related to applications for Programs of Distance Education are suspended for the duration of the Declaration of Emergency regarding COVID-19; and

SECTION 4: Each County School District and Charter School in the State shall submit a Request for an Emergency Program of Distance Education to the Superintendent of Public Instruction in a format and timeline prescribed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction; and

SECTION 5: Each Request for an Emergency Program of Distance Education shall provide for the commencement of County School District- or School-wide distance education no later than March 23, 2020 or the next regularly scheduled school session day thereafter; and

SECTION 6: In addition to the methods of distance education allowed in NRS 388.826, County School Districts and Charter Schools may provide distance education through paper correspondence; and

SECTION 7: The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall provide guidance and minimum requirements regarding Emergency Programs of Distance Education; and

SECTION 8: In approving these Requests for an Emergency Program of Distance Education, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall prioritize the health and safety of pupils and County School District and Charter School employees. The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall also consider the ability of the Emergency Program to continue the meaningful and substantive education of all children. The Superintendent is granted the sole authority to approve and revoke Requests for an Emergency Program of Distance Education; and

SECTION 9: Upon approval of a Request for an Emergency Program of Distance Education pursuant to this article, each pupil enrolled in the County School District or Charter School shall be automatically be enrolled in the Emergency Program; and

SECTION 10: Any County School District or Charter School in the State that fails to receive approval of a Request for an Emergency Program of Distance Education from the Superintendent in accordance with Section 2 or which has their plan revoked by the Superintendent at any time will be required to submit an updated school calendar to the Department of Education indicating its plan to make up lost instructional days due to the school building closures; and

SECTION 11: The Superintendent of Public Instruction is further delegated the authority to allow County School Districts and Charter Schools to modify existing calendars and granted the authority to approve calendars that fail to comply with the provisions of NAC 387.120 or NAC 387.125; and



SECTION 12: The requirements to conduct criterion referenced examinations pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes section 390.105 and college and career readiness assessments pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes section 390.610 and all related reporting requirements are suspended in accordance with the approval of the accountability waiver approved by the Superintendent of Public Instruction to the U.S. Department of Education; and

SECTION 13: The requirements to administer end of course exams pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes 390.700 and all accompanying regulations are suspended and the Superintendent of Public Instruction is directed to provide guidance to County School Districts and Charter Schools regarding calculation of pupils' grades in accordance with this suspension; and

SECTION 14: Sections 1 through 10 of this Directive shall remain in effect for each district and charter school until the Chief Medical Officer of the State of Nevada approves the opening of a majority of schools in the County in which the district or charter school operates or until the Governor rescinds this Order, whichever is sooner; and

SECTION 15: This Directive may be renewed by a subsequent Directive promulgated pursuant to the March 12, 2020 Declaration of Emergency to facilitate the State's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

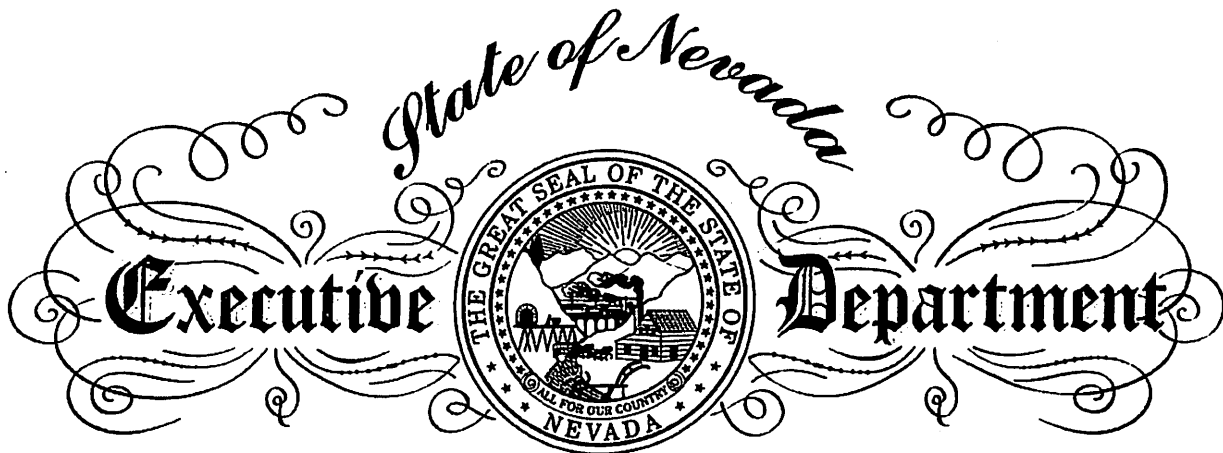
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nevada to be affixed at the State Capitol in Carson City, this 20th day of March, in the year two thousand twenty.



Governor of the State of Nevada

Secretary of State

Deputy Secretary of State



DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY  
DIRECTIVE 006

**WHEREAS**, on March 12, 2020, I, Steve Sisolak, Governor of the State of Nevada issued a Declaration of Emergency to facilitate the State's response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, Donald J. Trump, President of the United States declared a nationwide emergency pursuant to Sec. 501(b) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5207 (the "Stafford Act"); and

**WHEREAS**, the World Health Organization and United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have advised that there is a correlation between density of persons gathered and the risk of transmission of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, close proximity to other persons is currently contraindicated by public health and medical best practices to combat COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, recreational social gatherings unnecessarily extend periods of interpersonal contact and promulgates spread of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, certain non-essential activities result in the congregation of persons for extended periods of time; and

**WHEREAS**, NRS 414.060 outlines powers and duties delegated to the Governor during the existence of a state of emergency, including without limitation, directing and controlling the conduct of the general public and the movement and cessation of movement of pedestrians and vehicular traffic during, before and after exercises or an emergency or disaster, public meetings or gatherings; and

**WHEREAS**, Nevada Revised Statutes 414.060(3) states: "In performing his or her duties under this chapter and to effect its policy and purpose, the Governor may: (a) Make, amend and rescind the necessary orders and regulations to carry out the provisions of this chapter within the limits of the authority conferred upon the Governor in this chapter, with due consideration of the plans provided by the Federal Government;" and

**WHEREAS**, NRS 414.070 outlines additional powers delegated to the Governor during the existence of a state of emergency, including without limitation, enforcing all laws and regulations relating to emergency management and assuming direct operational control of any or all forces, including, without limitation, volunteers and auxiliary staff for emergency management in the State; providing

for and compelling the evacuation of all or part of the population from any stricken or threatened area or areas within the State and to take such steps as are necessary for the receipt and care of those persons; and performing and exercising such other functions, powers and duties as are necessary to promote and secure the safety and protection of the civilian population; and

*WHEREAS*, on March 15, 2020, I directed executive branch agencies to close state offices to the public and to wind down in-person public services and to the extent practicable, transition services to online and over-the-phone services; and

*WHEREAS*, Nevada Revised Statutes 241.010 provides that “[i]n enacting this chapter, the Legislature finds and declares that all public bodies exist to aid in the conduct of the people’s business. It is the intent of the law that their actions be taken openly and that their deliberations be conducted openly;” and

*WHEREAS*, the continued operations of state public bodies are essential to the State of Nevada; and

*WHEREAS*, on March 20, 2020, I issued Declaration of Emergency Directive 003 that ordered the closure of all Non-Essential Businesses by 11:59 p.m. on March 20, 2020, authorized criminal and civil penalties for Non-Essential Businesses that continued to operate in violation of that order, and authorized all local, city, and county governments along with the Office of the Attorney General to enforce that Directive; and

*WHEREAS*, immediate enforcement of Declaration of Emergency Directive 003 is vital to protect the Health and Safety of the public:

*NOW THEREFORE*, by the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Nevada and the United States, and pursuant to the March 12, 2020, Emergency Declaration,

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

SECTION 1: The requirement contained in NRS 241.023(1)(b) that there be a physical location designated for meetings of public bodies where members of the public are permitted to attend and participate is suspended.

SECTION 2: If a public body holds a meeting by means of teleconference or videoconference and a physical location where members of the public can attend is not provided, the public body must provide a means for the public to provide public comment, and post that means on the public notice agenda posted in accordance with NRS 241.020. Public comment options may include, without limitation, telephonic or email comment.

SECTION 3: The requirements contained in NRS 241.020(4)(a) that public notice agendas be posted at physical locations within the State of Nevada are suspended.

SECTION 4: Public bodies must still comply with the requirements in NRS 241.020(4)(b) and NRS 241.020(4)(c) that public notice agendas be posted to Nevada’s notice website and the public body’s website, if it maintains one along with providing a copy to any person who has requested one via U.S. mail or electronic mail.

SECTION 5: The requirement contained in NRS 241.020(3)(c) that physical locations be available for the public to receive supporting material for public meetings is suspended.

SECTION 6: If a public body holds a meeting and does not provide a physical location where supporting material is available to the public, the public body must provide on its public notice agenda the name and contact information for the person designated by the public body from whom a member of the public may request supporting material electronically and must post supporting material to the public body's website, if it maintains one.

SECTION 7: A public body that holds a meeting pursuant to this Executive Order must ensure that any party entitled to or required to appear before it shall be able to do so through remote means and fully able to participate in the agenda items that pertain to them.

SECTION 8: The requirements of NRS 241.033, NRS 241.034 are suspended for any actions necessary to enforce Declaration of Emergency Directive 003 against entities, owners, representatives, agents, or employees that continue to operate or assist in operation after 11:59 p.m. on March 2020. Public bodies enforcing Declaration of Emergency Directive 003 against entities, owners, agents, or employees pursuant to this section shall provide the responding party with at least 24 hours notice of a meeting to take action; and

SECTION 9: Public bodies may enforce Declaration of Emergency Directive 003 at an emergency meeting as authorized by NRS 241.020(11) and may make use of all other amendments to NRS chapter 241 included in this Executive Order.

SECTION 10: This Directive shall remain in effect until April 16, 2020, unless renewed by a subsequent Directive promulgated pursuant to the March 12, 2020 Declaration of Emergency to facilitate the State's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nevada to be affixed at the State Capitol in Carson City, this 22nd day of March, in the year two thousand twenty.



Governor of the State of Nevada

*Barbara K. Cegavske*  
Secretary of State

*Scott M. Korman*  
Deputy Secretary of State



DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY  
DIRECTIVE 007

**WHEREAS**, on March 12, 2020, I, Steve Sisolak, Governor of the State of Nevada issued a Declaration of Emergency to facilitate the State's response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, Donald J. Trump, President of the United States declared a nationwide emergency pursuant to Sec. 501(b) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5207 (the "Stafford Act"); and

**WHEREAS**, the World Health Organization and United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have advised that there is a correlation between density of persons gathered and the risk of transmission of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, close proximity to other persons is currently contraindicated by public health and medical best practices to combat COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, recreational social gatherings unnecessarily extend periods of interpersonal contact and promulgates spread of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, the rate of community spread of COVID-19 can only be reduced by minimizing contact between infected persons and non-infected persons; and

**WHEREAS**, public health experts and epidemiologists indicate that COVID-19 may spread from infected persons to non-infected persons prior to the expression of symptoms in the infected person; and

**WHEREAS**, immediate containment of the spread of COVID-19 is vital to protect the Health and Safety of the Nevada public:

**WHEREAS** NRS 414.060 outlines powers and duties delegated to the Governor during the existence of a state of emergency, including without limitation, directing and controlling the conduct of the general public and the movement and cessation of movement of pedestrians and vehicular traffic during, before and after exercises or an emergency or disaster, public meetings or gatherings; and

*WHEREAS*, NRS 414.070 outlines additional powers delegated to the Governor during the existence of a state of emergency, including without limitation, enforcing all laws and regulations relating to emergency management and assuming direct operational control of any or all forces, including, without limitation, volunteers and auxiliary staff for emergency management in the State; providing for and compelling the evacuation of all or part of the population from any stricken or threatened area or areas within the State and to take such steps as are necessary for the receipt and care of those persons; and performing and exercising such other functions, powers and duties as are necessary to promote and secure the safety and protection of the civilian population; and

*WHEREAS*, NRS 414.090 limits the powers of political subdivisions in the event of an emergency, and provides that counties shall, and cities may, in pertinent part establish local organizations for emergency management in accordance with the state emergency management plan and program for emergency management; enter into contracts and incur obligations necessary to combat such an emergency or disaster, protect the health and safety of persons and property and provide emergency assistance to the victims of such an emergency or disaster; and exercise the powers vested under NRS 414.090 in the light of the exigencies of the extreme emergency or disaster without regard to time-consuming procedures and formalities prescribed by law, except constitutional requirements, pertaining to the performance of public work, entering into contracts, the incurring of obligations, the employment of temporary workers, the rental of equipment, the purchase of supplies and materials, the levying of taxes, and the appropriation and expenditure of public funds; and

*WHEREAS*, the Nevada Attorney General opined in Opinion Number 57-336 that "[t]here can be no question but that the Legislature intended to give to the Governor the broadest possible powers consistent with constitutional government in a time of dire emergency;" and

*WHEREAS*, Article 5, Section 1 of the Nevada Constitution provides: "The supreme executive power of this State, shall be vested in a Chief Magistrate who shall be Governor of the State of Nevada";

*NOW THEREFORE*, by the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Nevada and the United States, and pursuant to the March 12, 2020, Emergency Declaration,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

SECTION 1: The Nevada general public shall not gather in groups of ten or more in any indoor or outdoor area, whether publicly owned or privately owned where the public has access by right or invitation, express or implied, whether by payment of money or not, including without limitation, parks, basketball courts, volleyball courts, baseball fields, football fields, rivers, lakes, beaches, streets, convention centers, libraries, parking lots, and private clubs. This provision shall not be construed to apply to the gathering of persons living within the same household, or persons working at or patronizing Essential Licensed Businesses or providing essential services to the public.

SECTION 2: With the exception of persons residing in the same household, the Nevada general public shall, to the extent practicable, abide by social distancing practices by maintaining a minimum six-foot distance between persons in public spaces, whether privately or publicly owned.



SECTION 3: Local governments shall limit the Nevada general public's use of recreational equipment, including without limitation, playground equipment, basketball courts, volleyball courts, baseball fields, beaches, or football fields, in a manner that causes the congregation of ten or more persons in a manner contrary to best COVID-19 disease mitigation social distancing practices.

SECTION 4: The provisions of Section 1 of this Directive shall not be enforced against homeless persons.

SECTION 5: Any person who does not comply with Section 1 of this Directive, after receiving notice from law enforcement, may be subject to criminal prosecution and civil penalties under NRS 199.280, NRS 202.450, and another other applicable statute, regulation, or ordinance. All law enforcement agencies in the State of Nevada are authorized to enforce this Directive. The Office of the Attorney General is given concurrent jurisdiction to prosecute violations of this Directive.

SECTION 6: Pursuant to NRS 414.060(3)(f), I hereby authorize all local, city, and county governments to enforce this Directive under any applicable law of said local, city, or county government.

SECTION 7: This Directive shall remain in effect until April 16, 2020, unless renewed by a subsequent Directive promulgated pursuant to the March 12, 2020 Declaration of Emergency to facilitate the State's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nevada to be affixed at the State Capitol in Carson City, this 24th day of March, in the year two thousand twenty.



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Governor of the State of Nevada

*Barbara K. Cegavske*  
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Secretary of State

*Shirley K. Kinsley*  
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Deputy Secretary of State



DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY  
DIRECTIVE 008

**WHEREAS**, on March 12, 2020, I, Steve Sisolak, Governor of the State of Nevada issued a Declaration of Emergency to facilitate the State's response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, Donald J. Trump, President of the United States declared a nationwide emergency pursuant to Sec. 501(b) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5207 (the "Stafford Act"); and

**WHEREAS**, the World Health Organization (WHO) and United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) have advised that there is a correlation between density of persons gathered and the risk of transmission of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, as of March 29, 2020, the State of Nevada Department of Health and Human Services is reporting 738 positive cases of COVID-19, and 15 deaths resulting from COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, close proximity to other persons is currently contraindicated by public health and medical best practices to combat COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, NRS 414.060 outlines powers and duties delegated to the Governor during the existence of a state of emergency, including without limitation, directing and controlling the conduct of the general public and the movement and cessation of movement of pedestrians and vehicular traffic during, before and after exercises or an emergency or disaster, public meetings or gatherings; and

**WHEREAS**, NRS 414.070 outlines additional powers delegated to the Governor during the existence of a state of emergency, including without limitation, enforcing all laws and regulations relating to emergency management and assuming direct operational control of any or all forces, including, without limitation, volunteers and auxiliary staff for emergency management in the State; providing for and compelling the evacuation of all or part of the population from any stricken or threatened area or areas within the State and to take such steps as are necessary for the receipt and

care of those persons; and performing and exercising such other functions, powers and duties as are necessary to promote and secure the safety and protection of the civilian population; and

*WHEREAS*, the Nevada Attorney General opined in Opinion Number 57-336 that "[t]here can be no question but that the Legislature intended to give to the Governor the broadest possible powers consistent with constitutional government in a time of dire emergency"; and

*WHEREAS*, I ordered a closure of nonessential businesses and Nevada's public and charter schools that, in addition to adverse economic conditions resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, is negatively impacting financial stability of a significant number of individuals, families, and businesses statewide, hindering the ability of Nevadans and businesses to make timely mortgage or rent payments; and

*WHEREAS*, stability in housing is essential for all Nevadans to abide by social distancing recommendations that aid in containing the spread of COVID-19; and

*WHEREAS*, removal of Nevadans from their homes by foreclosure or eviction increases vulnerability to transmission of COVID-19, which in turn increases the general public health risk resulting from spread of COVID-19; and

*WHEREAS*, efforts to treat, prevent, or reduce the spread of COVID-19 may make it medically necessary and reasonable to require individuals to remain in isolation or quarantine at their homes or otherwise remain indoors; and

*WHEREAS*, to avoid serious health, safety, welfare, and financial consequences that may result from the eviction, foreclosure or other removal of Nevadans and businesses from their homes or establishments during this emergency, it is reasonable and necessary to suspend eviction and foreclosure actions or proceedings related to residential and commercial real property in Nevada; and

*WHEREAS*, on March 18, 2020, the President of the United States announced the Department of Housing and Urban Development, in an effort to provide immediate relief to renters and homeowners, will temporarily suspend all foreclosures and evictions, and at least nine other states around the nation having taken similar actions as of March 25, 2020; and

*WHEREAS*, on March 25, 2020, the United States Congress passed an aid-package that is intended to provide substantial economic assistance to businesses, individuals, and families throughout the nation, and a temporary suspension of eviction and foreclosure actions or proceedings will give Nevadans and businesses facing financial hardship resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic a grace period to obtain financial assistance made available through this extensive aid-package, as well as others, while allowing them to maintain essential stability in housing and business establishments; and

*WHEREAS*, Article 5, Section 1 of the Nevada Constitution provides: "The supreme executive power of this State, shall be vested in a Chief Magistrate who shall be Governor of the State of Nevada;"

*NOW THEREFORE*, by the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Nevada and the United States, and pursuant to the March 12, 2020 Emergency Declaration,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

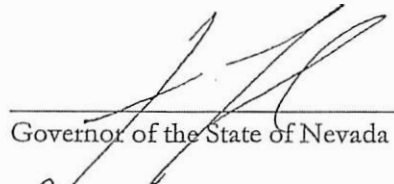
- SECTION 1: No lockout, notice to vacate, notice to pay or quit, eviction, foreclosure action, or other proceeding involving residential or commercial real estate based upon a tenant or mortgagee's default of any contractual obligations imposed by a rental agreement or mortgage may be initiated under any provision of Nevada law effective March 29, 2020, at 11:59 p.m., until the state of emergency under the March 12, 2020 Declaration of Emergency terminates, expires, or this Directive is rescinded by order of the Governor. This provision does not prohibit the eviction of persons who seriously endanger the public or other residents, engage in criminal activity, or cause significant damage to the property.
- SECTION 2: That an individual has tested positive for COVID-19 or has been potentially exposed to the novel coronavirus that causes COVID-19 does not serve as a basis for establishing that a tenant or resident seriously endangered the safety of others.
- SECTION 3: No provision contained in this Directive shall be construed as relieving any party of their contractual obligations to pay rent, make mortgage payments, or comply with any other obligations imposed on parties by a lease, rental agreement, or mortgage. Landlords and lenders, however, shall be prohibited from charging any late fees or penalties for any nonpayment under the terms of a lease, rental agreement, or mortgage that occurs between the date of this Directive and the termination or expiration of the March 12, 2020 Declaration of Emergency or the date on which this Directive is rescinded by order of the Governor.
- SECTION 4: No provision contained in this Directive shall be construed to prohibit the continuation of any eviction or foreclosure action or proceeding predating the March 12, 2020 Declaration of Emergency.
- SECTION 5: Eviction of foreclosure actions currently being adjudicated by a court shall be stayed until the state of emergency declared on March 12, 2020 terminates or expires. This limitation shall not include current eviction or foreclosure proceedings stemming from threats by a tenant or resident to public health or safety, criminal activity, or significant damage to the property.
- SECTION 6: To the extent any agencies providing rental assistance to tenants in Nevada ordinarily require the tenant to provide a seven-day eviction notice issued under NRS 40.253(1) as a prerequisite to obtaining rental assistance, a landlord's or property manager's written notice of nonpayment of rent establishing the delinquency in payment shall be considered as a substitute for the notice of eviction in determining an individual's eligibility for rental assistance while this Directive remains in effect.


SECTION 7: After the termination or expiration of the March 12, 2020 Declaration of Emergency relating to the COVID-19 pandemic, and abatement of the financial hardships created by the COVID-19 pandemic, borrowers, lenders, tenants, and landlords are encouraged to negotiate payment plans or other agreements within 30 days of the termination of this Directive to allow borrowers and tenants to cure any defaults or missed payments resulting from a financial hardship resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic.

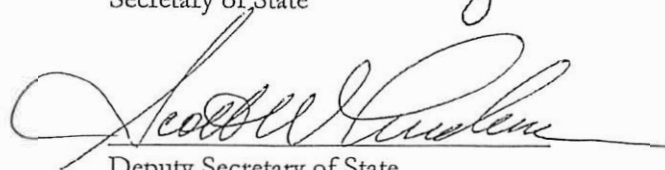
SECTION 8: This Directive shall remain in effect until the state of emergency declared on March 12, 2020 is terminated or unless renewed by a subsequent Directive promulgated pursuant to the March 12, 2020 Declaration of Emergency to facilitate the State's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nevada to be affixed at the State Capitol in Carson City, this 29th day of March, in the year two thousand twenty.

  
Governor of the State of Nevada

  
Secretary of State

  
Deputy Secretary of State