

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

PROCLAMATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY

**WHEREAS** in December 2019, an outbreak of respiratory illness due to a novel coronavirus (a disease now known as COVID-19), was first identified in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China, and has spread outside of China, impacting more than 75 countries, including the United States; and

**WHEREAS** the State of California has been working in close collaboration with the national Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), with the United States Health and Human Services Agency, and with local health departments since December 2019 to monitor and plan for the potential spread of COVID-19 to the United States; and

**WHEREAS** on January 23, 2020, the CDC activated its Emergency Response System to provide ongoing support for the response to COVID-19 across the country; and

**WHEREAS** on January 24, 2020, the California Department of Public Health activated its Medical and Health Coordination Center and on March 2, 2020, the Office of Emergency Services activated the State Operations Center to support and guide state and local actions to preserve public health; and

**WHEREAS** the California Department of Public Health has been in regular communication with hospitals, clinics and other health providers and has provided guidance to health facilities and providers regarding COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** as of March 4, 2020, across the globe, there are more than 94,000 confirmed cases of COVID-19, tragically resulting in more than 3,000 deaths worldwide; and

**WHEREAS** as of March 4, 2020, there are 129 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the United States, including 53 in California, and more than 9,400 Californians across 49 counties are in home monitoring based on possible travel-based exposure to the virus, and officials expect the number of cases in California, the United States, and worldwide to increase; and

**WHEREAS** for more than a decade California has had a robust pandemic influenza plan, supported local governments in the development of local plans, and required that state and local plans be regularly updated and exercised; and

**WHEREAS** California has a strong federal, state and local public health and health care delivery system that has effectively responded to prior events including the H1N1 influenza virus in 2009, and most recently Ebola; and



**WHEREAS** experts anticipate that while a high percentage of individuals affected by COVID-19 will experience mild flu-like symptoms, some will have more serious symptoms and require hospitalization, particularly individuals who are elderly or already have underlying chronic health conditions; and

**WHEREAS** it is imperative to prepare for and respond to suspected or confirmed COVID-19 cases in California, to implement measures to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, and to prepare to respond to an increasing number of individuals requiring medical care and hospitalization; and

**WHEREAS** if COVID-19 spreads in California at a rate comparable to the rate of spread in other countries, the number of persons requiring medical care may exceed locally available resources, and controlling outbreaks minimizes the risk to the public, maintains the health and safety of the people of California, and limits the spread of infection in our communities and within the healthcare delivery system; and

**WHEREAS** personal protective equipment (PPE) is not necessary for use by the general population but appropriate PPE is one of the most effective ways to preserve and protect California's healthcare workforce at this critical time and to prevent the spread of COVID-19 broadly; and

**WHEREAS** state and local health departments must use all available preventative measures to combat the spread of COVID-19, which will require access to services, personnel, equipment, facilities, and other resources, potentially including resources beyond those currently available, to prepare for and respond to any potential cases and the spread of the virus; and

**WHEREAS** I find that conditions of Government Code section 8558(b), relating to the declaration of a State of Emergency, have been met; and

**WHEREAS** I find that the conditions caused by COVID-19 are likely to require the combined forces of a mutual aid region or regions to appropriately respond; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8625(c), I find that local authority is inadequate to cope with the threat posed by COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes, including the California Emergency Services Act, and in particular, Government Code section 8625, **HEREBY PROCLAIM A STATE OF EMERGENCY** to exist in California.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

1. In preparing for and responding to COVID-19, all agencies of the state government use and employ state personnel, equipment, and facilities or perform any and all activities consistent with the direction of the Office of Emergency Services and the State Emergency Plan, as well as the California Department of Public Health and the Emergency Medical Services Authority. Also, all residents are to heed the advice of emergency officials with regard to this emergency in order to protect their safety.
2. As necessary to assist local governments and for the protection of public health, state agencies shall enter into contracts to arrange for the procurement of materials, goods, and services needed to assist in preparing for, containing, responding to, mitigating the effects of, and recovering from the spread of COVID-19. Applicable provisions of the Government Code and the Public Contract Code, including but not limited to travel, advertising, and competitive bidding requirements, are suspended to the extent necessary to address the effects of COVID-19.
3. Any out-of-state personnel, including, but not limited to, medical personnel, entering California to assist in preparing for, responding to, mitigating the effects of, and recovering from COVID-19 shall be permitted to provide services in the same manner as prescribed in Government Code section 179.5, with respect to licensing and certification. Permission for any such individual rendering service is subject to the approval of the Director of the Emergency Medical Services Authority for medical personnel and the Director of the Office of Emergency Services for non-medical personnel and shall be in effect for a period of time not to exceed the duration of this emergency.
4. The time limitation set forth in Penal Code section 396, subdivision (b), prohibiting price gouging in time of emergency is hereby waived as it relates to emergency supplies and medical supplies. These price gouging protections shall be in effect through September 4, 2020.
5. Any state-owned properties that the Office of Emergency Services determines are suitable for use to assist in preparing for, responding to, mitigating the effects of, or recovering from COVID-19 shall be made available to the Office of Emergency Services for this purpose, notwithstanding any state or local law that would restrict, delay, or otherwise inhibit such use.
6. Any fairgrounds that the Office of Emergency Services determines are suitable to assist in preparing for, responding to, mitigating the effects of, or recovering from COVID-19 shall be made available to the Office of Emergency Services pursuant to the Emergency Services Act, Government Code section 8589. The Office of Emergency Services shall notify the fairgrounds of the intended use and can immediately use the fairgrounds without the fairground board of directors' approval, and

notwithstanding any state or local law that would restrict, delay, or otherwise inhibit such use.

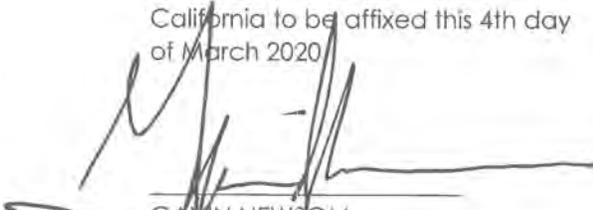
7. The 30-day time period in Health and Safety Code section 101080, within which a local governing authority must renew a local health emergency, is hereby waived for the duration of this statewide emergency. Any such local health emergency will remain in effect until each local governing authority terminates its respective local health emergency.
8. The 60-day time period in Government Code section 8630, within which local government authorities must renew a local emergency, is hereby waived for the duration of this statewide emergency. Any local emergency proclaimed will remain in effect until each local governing authority terminates its respective local emergency.
9. The Office of Emergency Services shall provide assistance to local governments that have demonstrated extraordinary or disproportionate impacts from COVID-19, if appropriate and necessary, under the authority of the California Disaster Assistance Act, Government Code section 8680 et seq., and California Code of Regulations, Title 19, section 2900 et seq.
10. To ensure hospitals and other health facilities are able to adequately treat patients legally isolated as a result of COVID-19, the Director of the California Department of Public Health may waive any of the licensing requirements of Chapter 2 of Division 2 of the Health and Safety Code and accompanying regulations with respect to any hospital or health facility identified in Health and Safety Code section 1250. Any waiver shall include alternative measures that, under the circumstances, will allow the facilities to treat legally isolated patients while protecting public health and safety. Any facilities being granted a waiver shall be established and operated in accordance with the facility's required disaster and mass casualty plan. Any waivers granted pursuant to this paragraph shall be posted on the Department's website.
11. To support consistent practices across California, state departments, in coordination with the Office of Emergency Services, shall provide updated and specific guidance relating to preventing and mitigating COVID-19 to schools, employers, employees, first responders and community care facilities by no later than March 10, 2020.
12. To promptly respond for the protection of public health, state entities are, notwithstanding any other state or local law, authorized to share relevant medical information, limited to the patient's underlying health conditions, age, current condition, date of exposure, and possible contact tracing, as necessary to address the effect of the COVID-19 outbreak with state, local, federal, and nongovernmental partners, with such information to be used for the limited purposes of monitoring, investigation and control, and treatment and coordination of care. The

notification requirement of Civil Code section 1798.24, subdivision (i), is suspended.

13. Notwithstanding Health and Safety Code sections 1797.52 and 1797.218, during the course of this emergency, any EMT-P licensees shall have the authority to transport patients to medical facilities other than acute care hospitals when approved by the California EMS Authority. In order to carry out this order, to the extent that the provisions of Health and Safety Code sections 1797.52 and 1797.218 may prohibit EMT-P licensees from transporting patients to facilities other than acute care hospitals, those statutes are hereby suspended until the termination of this State of Emergency.
14. The Department of Social Services may, to the extent the Department deems necessary to respond to the threat of COVID-19, waive any provisions of the Health and Safety Code or Welfare and Institutions Code, and accompanying regulations, interim licensing standards, or other written policies or procedures with respect to the use, licensing, or approval of facilities or homes within the Department's jurisdiction set forth in the California Community Care Facilities Act (Health and Safety Code section 1500 et seq.), the California Child Day Care Facilities Act (Health and Safety Code section 1596.70 et seq.), and the California Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly Act (Health and Safety Code section 1569 et seq.). Any waivers granted pursuant to this paragraph shall be posted on the Department's website.

**I FURTHER DIRECT** that as soon as hereafter possible, this proclamation be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this proclamation.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have  
hereunto set my hand and caused  
the Great Seal of the State of  
California to be affixed this 4th day  
of March 2020



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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-25-20

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** despite sustained efforts, the virus remains a threat, and further efforts to control the spread of the virus to reduce and minimize the risk of infection are needed; and

**WHEREAS** state and local public health officials may, as they deem necessary in the interest of public health, issue guidance limiting or recommending limitations upon attendance at public assemblies, conferences, or other mass events, which could cause the cancellation of such gatherings through no fault or responsibility of the parties involved, thereby constituting a force majeure; and

**WHEREAS** the Department of Public Health is maintaining up-to-date guidance relating to COVID-19, available to the public at <http://cdph.ca.gov/covid19>; and

**WHEREAS** the State of California and local governments, in collaboration with the Federal government, continue sustained efforts to minimize the spread and mitigate the effects of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** there is a need to secure numerous facilities to accommodate quarantine, isolation, or medical treatment of individuals testing positive for or exposed to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, many individuals who have developmental disabilities and receive services through regional centers funded by the Department of Developmental Services also have chronic medical conditions that make them more susceptible to serious symptoms of COVID-19, and it is critical that they continue to receive their services while also protecting their own health and the general public health; and

**WHEREAS** individuals exposed to COVID-19 may be temporarily unable to report to work due to illness caused by COVID-19 or quarantines related to COVID-19 and individuals directly affected by COVID-19 may experience potential loss of income, health care and medical coverage, and ability to pay for housing and basic needs, thereby placing increased demands on already strained regional and local health and safety resources such as shelters and food banks; and

**WHEREAS** in the interest of public health and safety, it is necessary to exercise my authority under the Emergency Services Act, specifically Government Code section 8572, to ensure adequate facilities exist to address the impacts of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8571 and 8572, do hereby issue the following order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

1. All residents are to heed any orders and guidance of state and local public health officials, including but not limited to the imposition of social distancing measures, to control the spread of COVID-19.
2. For the period that began January 24, 2020 through the duration of this emergency, the Employment Development Department shall have the discretion to waive the one-week waiting period in Unemployment Insurance Code section 2627(b)(1) for disability insurance applicants who are unemployed and disabled as a result of the COVID-19, and who are otherwise eligible for disability insurance benefits.
3. For the period that began January 24, 2020 through the duration of this emergency, the Employment Development Department shall have the discretion to waive the one-week waiting period in Unemployment Insurance Code section 1253(d) for unemployment insurance applicants who are unemployed as a result of the COVID-19, and who are otherwise eligible for unemployment insurance benefits.
4. Notwithstanding Health and Safety Code section 1797.172(b), during the course of this emergency, the Director of the Emergency Medical Services Authority shall have the authority to implement additions to local optional scopes of practice without first consulting with a committee of local EMS medical directors named by the EMS Medical Directors Association of California.
5. In order to quickly provide relief from interest and penalties, the provisions of the Revenue and Taxation Code that apply to the taxes and fees administered by the Department of Tax and Fee Administration, requiring the filing of a statement under penalty of perjury setting forth the facts for a claim for relief, are suspended for a period of 60 days after the date of this Order for any individuals or businesses who are unable to file a timely tax return or make a timely payment as a result of complying with a state or local public health official's imposition or recommendation of social distancing measures related to COVID-19.
6. The Franchise Tax Board, the Board of Equalization, the Department of Tax and Fee Administration, and the Office of Tax Appeals shall use their administrative powers where appropriate to provide those individuals and businesses impacted by complying with a state or local public health official's imposition or recommendation of social

distancing measures related to COVID-19 with the extensions for filing, payment, audits, billing, notices, assessments, claims for refund, and relief from subsequent penalties and interest.

7. The Governor's Office of Emergency Services shall ensure adequate state staffing during this emergency. Consistent with applicable federal law, work hour limitations for retired annuitants, permanent and intermittent personnel, and state management and senior supervisors, are suspended. Furthermore, reinstatement and work hour limitations in Government Code sections 21220, 21224(a), and 7522.56(b), (d), (f), and (g), and the time limitations in Government Code section 19888.1 and California Code of Regulations, title 2, sections 300-303 are suspended. The Director of the California Department of Human Resources must be notified of any individual employed pursuant to these waivers.
8. The California Health and Human Services Agency and the Office of Emergency Services shall identify, and shall otherwise be prepared to make available—including through the execution of any necessary contracts or other agreements and, if necessary, through the exercise of the State's power to commandeer property – hotels and other places of temporary residence, medical facilities, and other facilities that are suitable for use as places of temporary residence or medical facilities as necessary for quarantining, isolating, or treating individuals who test positive for COVID-19 or who have had a high-risk exposure and are thought to be in the incubation period.
9. The certification and licensure requirements of California Code of Regulations, Title 17, section 1079 and Business and Professions Code section 1206.5 are suspended as to all persons who meet the requirements under the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of section 353 of the Public Health Service Act for high complexity testing and who are performing analysis of samples to test for SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19, in any certified public health laboratory or licensed clinical laboratory.
10. To ensure that individuals with developmental disabilities continue to receive the services and supports mandated by their individual program plans threatened by disruptions caused by COVID-19, the Director of the Department of Developmental Services may issue directives waiving any provision or requirement of the Lanterman Developmental Disabilities Services Act, the California Early Intervention Services Act, and the accompanying regulations of Title 17, Division 2 of the California Code of Regulations. A directive may delegate to the regional centers any authority granted to the Department by law where the Director believes such delegation is necessary to ensure services to individuals with developmental disabilities. The Director shall describe the need justifying the waiver granted in each directive and articulate how the waiver is necessary to protect the public health or safety from the threat of COVID-19 or necessary to ensure that services to individuals with developmental disabilities are not disrupted. Any waiver granted by a directive shall expire 30 days from the date of its issuance. The Director may grant one or more 30-day extensions if the waiver continues to be necessary

to protect health or safety or to ensure delivery of services. The Director shall rescind a waiver once it is no longer necessary to protect public health or safety or ensure delivery of services. Any waivers and extensions granted pursuant to this paragraph shall be posted on the Department's website.

11. Notwithstanding any other provision of state or local law, including the Bagley-Keene Act or the Brown Act, a local legislative body or state body is authorized to hold public meetings via teleconferencing and to make public meetings accessible telephonically or otherwise electronically to all members of the public seeking to attend and to address the local legislative body or state body, during the period in which state or local public officials impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing, including but not limited to limitations on public events. All requirements in both the Bagley-Keene Act and the Brown Act expressly or impliedly requiring the physical presence of members, the clerk or other personnel of the body, or of the public as a condition of participation in or quorum for a public meeting are hereby waived.

In particular, any otherwise-applicable requirements that

- (i) state and local bodies notice each teleconference location from which a member will be participating in a public meeting;
- (ii) each teleconference location be accessible to the public;
- (iii) members of the public may address the body at each teleconference conference location;
- (iv) state and local bodies post agendas at all teleconference locations;
- (v) at least one member of the state body be physically present at the location specified in the notice of the meeting; and
- (vi) during teleconference meetings, at least a quorum of the members of the local body participate from locations within the boundaries of the territory over which the local body exercises jurisdiction

are hereby suspended, on the conditions that:

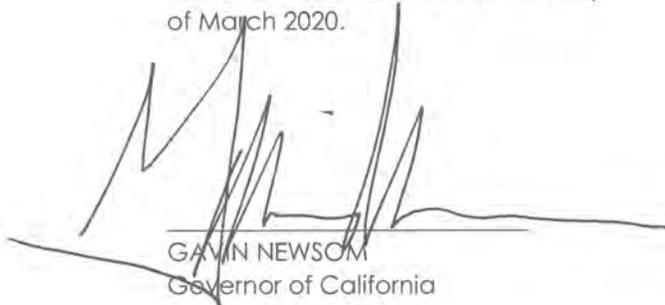
- (i) each state or local body must give advance notice of each public meeting, according to the timeframe otherwise prescribed by the Bagley-Keene Act or the Brown Act, and using the means otherwise prescribed by the Bagley-Keene Act or the Brown Act, as applicable; and
- (ii) consistent with the notice requirement in paragraph (i), each state or local body must notice at least one publicly accessible location from which members of the public shall have the right to observe and offer public comment at the public meeting, consistent with the public's rights of access and public comment otherwise provided for by the Bagley-Keene Act and the Brown Act, as applicable (including, but not limited to, the requirement that such rights of access and public comment be made available in a manner consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act).

In addition to the mandatory conditions set forth above, all state and local bodies are urged to use sound discretion and to make reasonable efforts to adhere as closely as reasonably possible to the provisions of the Bagley-Keene Act and the Brown Act, and other applicable local laws regulating the conduct of public meetings, in order to maximize transparency and provide the public access to their meetings.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 12th day of March 2020.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gavin Newsom', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and somewhat abstract.

GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**EXECUTIVE ORDER N-26-20**

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** responses to the threat of COVID-19, including decisions about schools, should be informed by and commensurate with scientific evidence and real-time data related to protecting public health; and

**WHEREAS** schools are critical to the daily lives of many Californians; and

**WHEREAS** local public health and education officials, in collaboration, are best positioned to measure and balance competing considerations, including the community's current public health, access to food and care, availability of resources, and other factors informing responses to the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567 and 8571, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

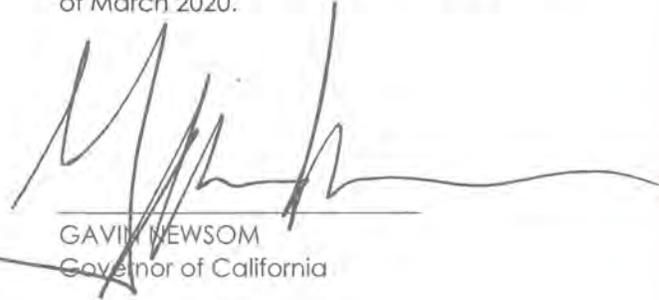
1. For purposes of this Order, Local Educational Agency (LEA) means school districts, county offices of education, and charter schools.
2. If an LEA closes its schools to address COVID-19, as provided in Paragraph 4 of this Order, the LEA will continue to receive state funding to support the following during the period of closure:
  - (i) Continue delivering high-quality educational opportunities to students to the extent feasible through, among other options, distance learning and/or independent study; and
  - (ii) Provide school meals in noncongregate settings through the Summer Food Service Program and Seamless Summer Option, consistent with the requirements of the California Department of Education and U.S. Department of Agriculture;
  - (iii) Arrange for, to the extent practicable, supervision for students during ordinary school hours; and
  - (iv) Continue to pay its employees.

3. If an LEA closes its schools to address COVID-19, the LEA is not prohibited from offering distance learning or independent study to impacted students. To the extent any state or local law might have been interpreted to the contrary, that law is waived.
4. For LEAs that initiate a school closure to address COVID-19, the closure shall qualify as a condition that prevents the maintenance of the LEA's schools during a fiscal year for at least 175 days pursuant to Education Code section 41422. Additionally, for such LEAs, the requirement in Education Code section 41422 to submit affidavits of the members of the governing board of the school district, the governing board of the county office of education, or the governing board or body of the charter school and of the county superintendent of schools are hereby suspended on the condition that the superintendent of the school district, the county superintendent of schools, or the charter school leader certifies in writing to the Superintendent of Public Instruction that the closure occurred to address COVID-19.
5. The California Department of Education and the Health and Human Services Agency shall jointly develop and issue guidance by March 17, 2020. The guidance shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following topics:
  - (i) Implementing distance learning strategies and addressing equity and access issues that may arise due to differential access to Internet connectivity and technology;
  - (ii) Ensuring students with disabilities receive a free and appropriate public education consistent with their individualized education program and meeting other procedural requirements under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and California law; and
  - (iii) Providing meals to be served in noncongregate settings at school and non-school sites in a manner that protects the safety of both students and school personnel, including classified employees.
6. The Labor and Workforce Development Agency and the Health and Human Services shall jointly develop and issue guidance by March 17, 2020 covering how to support parents to care for their children during ordinary school hours in the event of a school closure.
7. The Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development shall work with the California business community to encourage employers to exercise flexibility in the event of a school closure to enable parents to care for their children during ordinary school hours.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 13th day of March 2020.



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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-27-20

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** the impacts of COVID-19 are far-reaching in sectors throughout California; and

**WHEREAS** the most critical health and safety standards must be our state's highest priority at this time given the emergency associated with COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** healthcare and other residential and non-residential facilities licensed by the state, and particularly those serving senior citizens and other vulnerable populations, will face significant challenges with respect to staffing and capacity as a result of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** it is imperative that monitoring and enforcement efforts among our state agencies, especially in these facilities and particularly those serving senior citizens and other vulnerable populations, are focused specifically on the safety of these populations and on compliance with the most critical protections for health and safety of all in these facilities; and

**WHEREAS** additional action and capacity are necessary to protect the health and safety of Californians receiving care in these critical facilities and in-home isolation; and

**WHEREAS** certain existing California state employees have skills, which can be immediately utilized in and to the benefit of these facilities, and in particular in those facilities providing services to senior citizens and other vulnerable populations; and

**WHEREAS** I find it necessary to redirect these staff pursuant to Government Code section 3100, which allows me to reassign state workers as necessary to protect the public during an emergency; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code section 8567, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

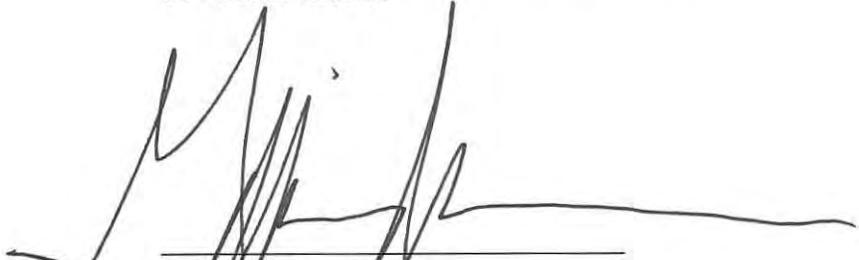
1. The Department of Social Services, the Division of Occupational Safety and Health, and the Department of Public Health, shall focus on those individuals who are most vulnerable and on the most serious health and safety issues at licensed facilities. Consistent with this directive:

- i) licensing and enforcement staff shall focus on providing technical assistance and supporting compliance with core health and safety requirements for caregivers and the cared for;
  - ii) these Departments and Division, in consultation with the Health and Human Services Agency, shall immediately identify health and community care facilities, and other sites housing populations that are particularly vulnerable to COVID-19, including but not limited to senior citizens and individuals who require assisted-living services due to chronic health conditions;
  - iii) these Departments and Division shall redirect resources to facilities identified pursuant to (ii) of this section;
  - iv) staff from these Departments and Division shall have primary focus on providing technical assistance and support to have maximum effect to address the risk of COVID-19;
  - v) consistent with these requirements, staff shall focus enforcement activities where there are allegations of the most serious violations impacting health and safety.
2. The Health and Human Services Agency shall develop alternatives, in consultation with counties and representatives of labor organizations and consumers, to leverage the in home supportive services programs, the adult protective services programs, the area agencies on aging and regional centers, and other programs to support the home isolation of vulnerable Californians, including seniors and those with serious chronic underlying health conditions.
  3. To address increased demand for healthcare workers and first responders, Emergency Medical Services Authority, Department of Social Services, and the Department of Public Health shall authorize first responders, health and human services care providers and workers who are asymptomatic to continue working during the period of this emergency, subject to those responders, providers, and workers taking precautions to prevent transmission.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person. The State shall be immune from any liability resulting from implementation of this Order.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 15th day of March 2020.



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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-28-20

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** despite sustained efforts, the virus remains a threat, and further efforts to control the spread of the virus to reduce and minimize the risk of infection and otherwise mitigate the effects of COVID-19 are needed; and

**WHEREAS** the economic impacts of COVID-19 have been significant, and could threaten to undermine Californians' housing security and the stability of California businesses; and

**WHEREAS** many Californians are experiencing substantial losses of income as a result of business closures, the loss of hours or wages, or layoffs related to COVID-19, hindering their ability to keep up with their rents, mortgages, and utility bills; and

**WHEREAS** Californians who are most vulnerable to COVID-19, those 65 years and older, and those with underlying health issues, are advised to self-quarantine, self-isolate, or otherwise remain in their homes to reduce the transmission of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** because homelessness can exacerbate vulnerability to COVID-19, California must take measures to preserve and increase housing security for Californians to protect public health; and

**WHEREAS** local jurisdictions, based on their particular needs, may therefore determine that additional measures to promote housing security and stability are necessary to protect public health or to mitigate the economic impacts of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** local jurisdictions may also determine, based on their particular needs, that promoting stability amongst commercial tenancies is also conducive to public health, such as by allowing commercial establishments to decide whether and how to remain open based on public health concerns rather than economic pressures, or to mitigate the economic impacts of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** in addition to these public health benefits, state and local policies to promote social distancing, self-quarantine, and self-isolation require that people be able to access basic utilities—including water, gas, electricity, and telecommunications—at their homes, so that Californians can work from home, receive public health information, and otherwise adhere to policies of social distancing, self-quarantine, and self-isolation, if needed; and

**WHEREAS** many utility providers, public and private, covering electricity, gas, water, and sewer, have voluntarily announced moratoriums on service disconnections and late fees for non-payment in response to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** many telecommunication companies, including internet and cell phone providers, have voluntarily announced moratoriums on service disconnections and late fees for non-payment in response to COVID-19;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567 and 8571, do hereby issue the following order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

- 1) The time limitation set forth in Penal Code section 396, subdivision (f), concerning protections against residential eviction, is hereby waived. Those protections shall be in effect through May 31, 2020.
- 2) Any provision of state law that would preempt or otherwise restrict a local government's exercise of its police power to impose substantive limitations on residential or commercial evictions as described in subparagraphs (i) and (ii) below—including, but not limited to, any such provision of Civil Code sections 1940 et seq. or 1954.25 et seq.—is hereby suspended to the extent that it would preempt or otherwise restrict such exercise. This paragraph 2 shall only apply to the imposition of limitations on evictions when:
  - (i) The basis for the eviction is nonpayment of rent, or a foreclosure, arising out of a substantial decrease in household or business income (including, but not limited to, a substantial decrease in household income caused by layoffs or a reduction in the number of compensable hours of work, or a substantial decrease in business income caused by a reduction in opening hours or consumer demand), or substantial out-of-pocket medical expenses; and
  - (ii) The decrease in household or business income or the out-of-pocket medical expenses described in subparagraph (i) was caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, or by any local, state, or federal government response to COVID-19, and is documented.

The statutory cause of action for judicial foreclosure, Code of Civil Procedure section 725a et seq.; the statutory cause of action for unlawful detainer, Code of Civil Procedure section 1161 et seq., and any other statutory cause of action that could be used to evict or otherwise eject a residential or commercial tenant or occupant of residential real property after foreclosure is suspended only as applied to any tenancy, or residential real property and any

occupation thereof, to which a local government has imposed a limitation on eviction pursuant to this paragraph 2, and only to the extent of the limitation imposed by the local government.

Nothing in this Order shall relieve a tenant of the obligation to pay rent, nor restrict a landlord's ability to recover rent due.

The protections in this paragraph 2 shall be in effect through May 31, 2020, unless extended.

- 3) All public housing authorities are requested to extend deadlines for housing assistance recipients or applicants to deliver records or documents related to their eligibility for programs, to the extent that those deadlines are within the discretion of the housing authority.
- 4) The Department of Business Oversight, in consultation with the Business, Consumer Services, and Housing Agency, shall engage with financial institutions to identify tools to be used to afford Californians relief from the threat of residential foreclosure and displacement, and to otherwise promote housing security and stability during this state of emergency, in furtherance of the objectives of this Order.
- 5) Financial institutions holding home or commercial mortgages, including banks, credit unions, government-sponsored enterprises, and institutional investors, are requested to implement an immediate moratorium on foreclosures and related evictions when the foreclosure or foreclosure-related eviction arises out of a substantial decrease in household or business income, or substantial out-of-pocket medical expenses, which were caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, or by any local, state, or federal government response to COVID-19.
- 6) The California Public Utilities Commission is requested to monitor measures undertaken by public and private utility providers to implement customer service protections for critical utilities, including but not limited to electric, gas, water, internet, landline telephone, and cell phone service, in response to COVID-19, and on a weekly basis publicly report these measures.

Nothing in this Order shall be construed to invalidate any limitation on eviction enacted by a local jurisdiction between March 4, 2020 and this date.

Nothing in this Order shall in any way restrict state or local authority to order any quarantine, isolation, or other public health measure that may compel an individual to remain physically present in a particular residential real property.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**I FURTHER DIRECT** that as soon as hereafter possible, this proclamation be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 16th day of March 2020.



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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20**

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** despite sustained efforts, the virus continues to spread and is impacting nearly all sectors of California; and

**WHEREAS** the threat of COVID-19 has resulted in serious and ongoing economic harms, in particular to some of the most vulnerable Californians; and

**WHEREAS** time bound eligibility redeterminations are required for Medi-Cal, CalFresh, CalWORKs, Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants, California Food Assistance Program, and In Home Supportive Services beneficiaries to continue their benefits, in accordance with processes established by the Department of Social Services, the Department of Health Care Services, and the Federal Government; and

**WHEREAS** social distancing recommendations or Orders as well as a statewide imperative for critical employees to focus on health needs may prevent Medi-Cal, CalFresh, CalWORKs, Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants, California Food Assistance Program, and In Home Supportive Services beneficiaries from obtaining in-person eligibility redeterminations; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567 and 8571, do hereby issue the following order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

1. As to individuals currently eligible for benefits under Medi-Cal, CalFresh, CalWORKs, the Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants, the California Food Assistance Program, or In Home Supportive Services benefits, and to the extent necessary to allow such individuals to maintain eligibility for such benefits, any state law, including but not limited to California Code of Regulations, Title 22, section 50189(a) and Welfare and Institutions Code sections 18940 and 11265, that would require redetermination of such benefits is suspended for a period of 90 days from the date of this Order. This Order shall be construed to be consistent with applicable federal laws, including but not limited to Code of Federal Regulations, Title 42, section 435.912, subdivision (e), as interpreted by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (in guidance issued on January 30, 2018) to permit the extension of

otherwise-applicable Medicaid time limits in emergency situations.

2. Through June 17, 2020, any month or partial month in which California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) aid or services are received pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code Section 11200 et seq. shall not be counted for purposes of the 48-month time limit set forth in Welfare and Institutions Code Section 11454. Any waiver of this time limit shall not be applied if it will exceed the federal time limits set forth in Code of Federal Regulations, Title 45, section 264.1.
3. Paragraph 11 of Executive Order N-25-20 (March 12, 2020) is withdrawn and superseded by the following text:

Notwithstanding any other provision of state or local law (including, but not limited to, the Bagley-Keene Act or the Brown Act), and subject to the notice and accessibility requirements set forth below, a local legislative body or state body is authorized to hold public meetings via teleconferencing and to make public meetings accessible telephonically or otherwise electronically to all members of the public seeking to observe and to address the local legislative body or state body. All requirements in both the Bagley-Keene Act and the Brown Act expressly or impliedly requiring the physical presence of members, the clerk or other personnel of the body, or of the public as a condition of participation in or quorum for a public meeting are hereby waived.

In particular, any otherwise-applicable requirements that

- (i) state and local bodies notice each teleconference location from which a member will be participating in a public meeting;
- (ii) each teleconference location be accessible to the public;
- (iii) members of the public may address the body at each teleconference conference location;
- (iv) state and local bodies post agendas at all teleconference locations;
- (v) at least one member of the state body be physically present at the location specified in the notice of the meeting; and
- (vi) during teleconference meetings, a least a quorum of the members of the local body participate from locations within the boundaries of the territory over which the local body exercises jurisdiction

are hereby suspended.

A local legislative body or state body that holds a meeting via teleconferencing and allows members of the public to observe and address the meeting telephonically or otherwise electronically, consistent with the notice and accessibility requirements set forth below, shall have satisfied any requirement that the body allow

members of the public to attend the meeting and offer public comment. Such a body need not make available any physical location from which members of the public may observe the meeting and offer public comment.

Accessibility Requirements: If a local legislative body or state body holds a meeting via teleconferencing and allows members of the public to observe and address the meeting telephonically or otherwise electronically, the body shall also:

- (i) Implement a procedure for receiving and swiftly resolving requests for reasonable modification or accommodation from individuals with disabilities, consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act and resolving any doubt whatsoever in favor of accessibility; and
- (ii) Advertise that procedure each time notice is given of the means by which members of the public may observe the meeting and offer public comment, pursuant to subparagraph (ii) of the Notice Requirements below.

Notice Requirements: Except to the extent this Order expressly provides otherwise, each local legislative body and state body shall:

- (i) Give advance notice of the time of, and post the agenda for, each public meeting according to the timeframes otherwise prescribed by the Bagley-Keene Act or the Brown Act, and using the means otherwise prescribed by the Bagley-Keene Act or the Brown Act, as applicable; and
- (ii) In each instance in which notice of the time of the meeting is otherwise given or the agenda for the meeting is otherwise posted, also give notice of the means by which members of the public may observe the meeting and offer public comment. As to any instance in which there is a change in such means of public observation and comment, or any instance prior to the issuance of this Order in which the time of the meeting has been noticed or the agenda for the meeting has been posted without also including notice of such means, a body may satisfy this requirement by advertising such means using "the most rapid means of communication available at the time" within the meaning of Government Code, section 54954, subdivision (e); this shall include, but need not be limited to, posting such means on the body's Internet website.

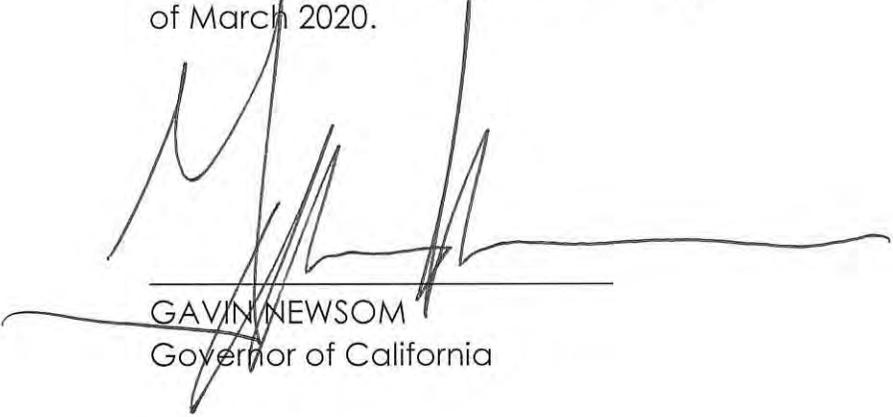
All of the foregoing provisions concerning the conduct of public meetings shall apply only during the period in which state or local public health officials have imposed or recommended social distancing measures.

All state and local bodies are urged to use sound discretion and to make reasonable efforts to adhere as closely as reasonably possible to the provisions of the Bagley-Keene Act and the Brown Act, and other applicable local laws regulating the conduct of public meetings, in order to maximize transparency and provide the public access to their meetings.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 17th day of March 2020.



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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-30-20

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** based on the best available data as of March 16, 2020, more than 80 percent of the local educational agencies in California are currently closed in response to the threat of COVID-19, impacting nearly 90 percent of the students enrolled in California public schools; and

**WHEREAS** local public health officials have ordered school closures in numerous counties across California, some of which are currently expected to last at least multiple weeks; and

**WHEREAS** school closures disrupt the lives and educational progress of students, impacting their ability to make progress in meeting grade level standards in their courses, including the subjects for which California annually administers statewide academic assessments; and

**WHEREAS** California is currently in the midst of the window for administering the statewide academic assessments for the 2019-2020 academic year; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

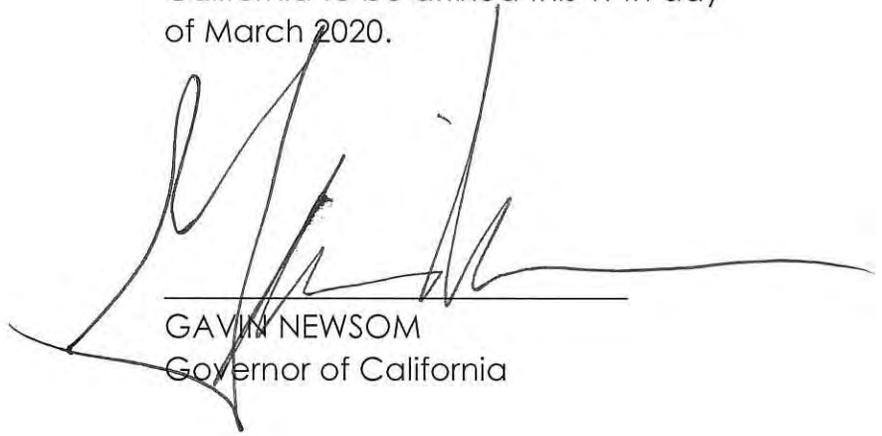
**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567 and 8571, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Education Code section 60641 (a), requiring that all pupils be administered academic assessments in mathematics, English language arts, and science, as provided for in Education Code section 60640, is waived for the 2019-2020 school year for all schools in the state for which the United States Department of Education approves, based on the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on students and school communities throughout California, a federal waiver of requirements to administer those academic assessments.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 17th day of March 2020.



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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-32-20

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** despite sustained efforts, the virus continues to spread and is impacting nearly all sectors of California; and

**WHEREAS** in the past two years, the State of California has allocated \$1.15 billion to local partners through the Homeless Emergency Aid Program and the Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program, funding intended to provide for a variety of programs and facilities aimed at combatting homelessness; and

**WHEREAS** on March 17, 2020, I signed Senate Bill 89, emergency legislation that authorizes \$500 million in immediately available funding to help California fight COVID-19 for any purpose related to the March 4, 2020 proclamation of a State of Emergency, including to support local governments to protect the health and safety of homeless populations, reduce the spread of COVID-19 in homeless populations, and provide safe beds for people experiencing homelessness; and

**WHEREAS** the emergency of COVID-19 necessitates a more focused approach, including emergency protective measures to bring unsheltered Californians safely indoors, expand shelter capacity, maintain health and sanitation standards and institute medically indicated interventions, and add new isolation and quarantine capacity to California's shelter and housing inventory to slow the spread of the pandemic; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567 and 8571, do hereby issue the following order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

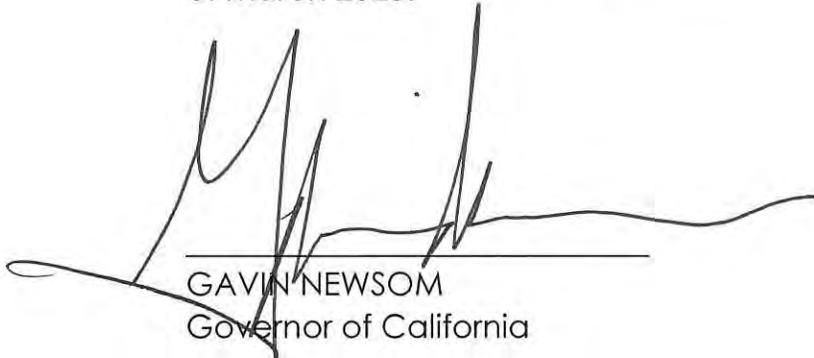
- 1) To the limited extent that any part of Health & Safety Code section 50214, subdivision (a), restricts a local jurisdiction from expending Homeless Emergency Aid Program funds on preparing for and addressing the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on homeless individuals, including through implementing guidance from the Department of Public Health on hand and respiratory hygiene and protective congregate living protocols, and providing isolation and quarantine capacity, that part is suspended.

- 2) To the limited extent that any part of Health & Safety Code section 50219, subdivision (c), restricts a local jurisdiction from expending Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program funds on preparing for and addressing the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on homeless individuals, including through expanding shelter and housing services and capacity, that part is suspended.
- 3) Division 13 (commencing with section 21000) of the Public Resources Code and regulations adopted pursuant to that Division are suspended for any project using Homeless Emergency Aid Program funds, Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program funds, or funds appropriated in Senate Bill 89, signed on March 17, 2020.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 18th day of March 2020.



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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-33-20

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** in a short period of time, COVID-19 has rapidly spread throughout California, necessitating updated and more stringent guidance from federal, state, and local public health officials; and

**WHEREAS** for the preservation of public health and safety throughout the entire State of California, I find it necessary for all Californians to heed the State public health directives from the Department of Public Health.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8627, and 8665 do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

- 1) To preserve the public health and safety, and to ensure the healthcare delivery system is capable of serving all, and prioritizing those at the highest risk and vulnerability, all residents are directed to immediately heed the current State public health directives, which I ordered the Department of Public Health to develop for the current statewide status of COVID-19. Those directives are consistent with the March 19, 2020, Memorandum on Identification of Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers During COVID-19 Response, found at: <https://covid19.ca.gov/>. Those directives follow:

ORDER OF THE STATE PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER  
March 19, 2020

To protect public health, I as State Public Health Officer and Director of the California Department of Public Health order all individuals living in the State of California to stay home or at their place of residence except as needed to maintain continuity of operations of the federal critical infrastructure sectors, as outlined at <https://www.cisa.gov/identifying-critical-infrastructure-during-covid-19>. In addition, and in consultation with the Director of the Governor's Office of Emergency Services, I may designate additional sectors as critical in order to protect the health and well-being of all Californians.

Pursuant to the authority under the Health and Safety Code 120125, 120140, 131080, 120130(c), 120135, 120145, 120175 and 120150, this order is to go into effect immediately and shall stay in effect until further notice.

The federal government has identified 16 critical infrastructure sectors whose assets, systems, and networks, whether physical or virtual, are considered so vital to the United States that their incapacitation or

destruction would have a debilitating effect on security, economic security, public health or safety, or any combination thereof. I order that Californians working in these 16 critical infrastructure sectors may continue their work because of the importance of these sectors to Californians' health and well-being.

This Order is being issued to protect the public health of Californians. The California Department of Public Health looks to establish consistency across the state in order to ensure that we mitigate the impact of COVID-19. Our goal is simple, we want to bend the curve, and disrupt the spread of the virus.

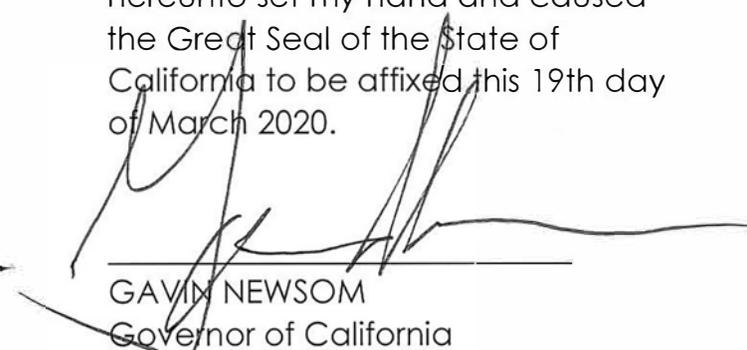
The supply chain must continue, and Californians must have access to such necessities as food, prescriptions, and health care. When people need to leave their homes or places of residence, whether to obtain or perform the functions above, or to otherwise facilitate authorized necessary activities, they should at all times practice social distancing.

- 2) The healthcare delivery system shall prioritize services to serving those who are the sickest and shall prioritize resources, including personal protective equipment, for the providers providing direct care to them.
- 3) The Office of Emergency Services is directed to take necessary steps to ensure compliance with this Order.
- 4) This Order shall be enforceable pursuant to California law, including, but not limited to, Government Code section 8665.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 19th day of March 2020.

  
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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-34-20

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** hundreds of local governments across the state have also declared states of emergency, imposed or recommended social distancing, and taken other significant steps in response to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** various political subdivisions within California are in the process of changing from an at-large method of election to district elections, existing law requires public hearings to be conducted within prescribed timeframes as part of this change, and conducting such hearings within these timeframes would be incongruent with public health officials' guidance regarding social distancing; and

**WHEREAS** California held a Presidential Primary Election on March 3, 2020, for which ballot counting, tabulation, and other responsibilities related to the official canvass, including certification of the canvass, audits and/or manual tallies of election results, and reporting of the official canvass results, remain outstanding or ongoing; and

**WHEREAS** COVID-19 and the response thereto may impair the ability of relevant state and local officials, including county elections officials and the Secretary of State, and the volunteers supporting them, to meet statutory deadlines associated with these responsibilities; and

**WHEREAS** on November 15, 2019, I proclaimed a Special General Election to be held on May 12, 2020, to fill a vacancy in the State Senate seat representing the 28th Senate District of the State, in Riverside County; and

**WHEREAS** on November 15, 2019, I proclaimed a Special General Election to be held on May 12, 2020, to fill a vacancy in the U.S. House of Representatives seat representing the 25th Congressional District of the State, which covers portions of the counties of Ventura and Los Angeles; and

**WHEREAS** on April 7, 2020, a Special Recall Election will be held in the City of Westminster, in the County of Orange; and

**WHEREAS** state law would ordinarily require that these elections be conducted using in-person voting at polling locations throughout the jurisdiction; and

**WHEREAS** the generalized use of in-person voting presents risks to public health and safety in light of the COVID-19 pandemic, and could risk undermining social distancing measures imposed by the State Public Health Officer, as well as other aspects of the response to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** our elections must be accessible, secure, and safe; and

**WHEREAS** California's existing vote-by-mail procedures can be used to allow these three elections to go forward in a manner that is accessible, secure, and safe.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567 and 8571, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

- 1) The timeframes for conducting the hearings required when a political subdivision changes from an at-large method of election to a district-based election, as set forth in Elections Code section 10010, are suspended for any subdivision, until such time as neither state nor local public health officials recommend or impose social distancing measures in the relevant subdivision. Following that time, the relevant subdivision shall hold the required hearings in a manner that ensures the public is provided advance notice and is afforded an opportunity to participate in the postponed hearings; subdivisions are urged to ensure that this process includes effective outreach to individuals with disabilities, individuals who primarily speak languages other than English, and other individuals who may have particularized needs.
- 2) Notwithstanding Elections Code sections 3019, 15100–15112, 15300–15376, 15400–15402, 15450–15490, and 15500–15505; California Code of Regulations, Title 2, sections 20027, 20108.75, 20108.8, and 20110–20126; and any other applicable provision of state law, all deadlines associated with completing, auditing, and reporting on the official canvass of the March 3, 2020, Presidential Primary Election are extended by 21 days. Counties are urged to complete activities related to the official canvass according to the deadlines ordinarily imposed by state law, to the extent possible. The Secretary of State is requested to issue guidance to county elections officials concerning compliance with this paragraph.
- 3) Notwithstanding Elections Code sections 1500 and 4000–4007 (including, but not limited to, the conditions otherwise imposed on all-mail ballot elections in Election Code section 4000 and 4001.5), and any other applicable provision of state law, the April 7, 2020, Special Recall Election to be held in the City of Westminster; the May 12, 2020, Special General Election to be held within the 25th Congressional District of the State; and the May 12, 2020, Special General Election to be held within the 28th Senate District of the State shall each be held as an all-mail ballot election and conducted according to those provisions of the Elections Code that govern all-mail ballot elections, including but not limited to Elections Code sections 3000–3026 and 4100. The respective county elections officials responsible for conducting each respective election shall transmit vote-by-mail ballots to all voters eligible to vote in each respective election. Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Order, elections officials are

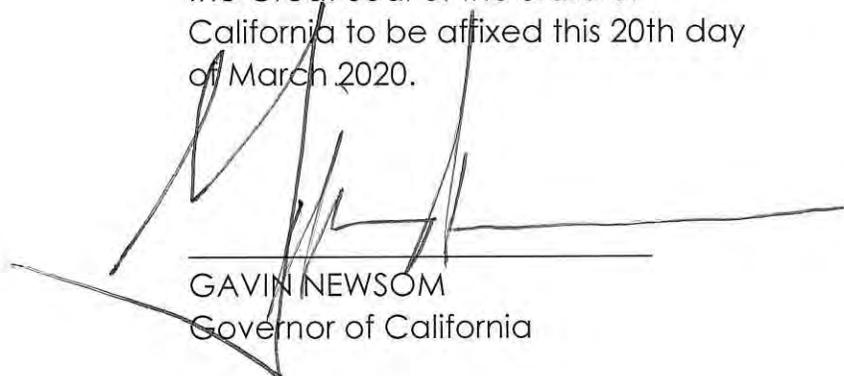
also authorized, and encouraged, to make in-person voting opportunities available on or before Election Day for each of these elections in a manner consistent with public health and safety, to maximize voter accessibility. Elections officials shall provide maximum possible notice to voters about how to participate in each of these elections, paying particular attention to the needs of voters at high risk from COVID-19, individuals with disabilities, and other voters with particularized needs.

- 4) Notwithstanding Elections Code sections 3019, 15100–15112, 15300–15376, 15400–15402, 15450–15490, and 15500–15505; California Code of Regulations, Title 2, sections 20027, 20108.75, 20108.8, and 20110–20126; and any other applicable provision of state law including, but not limited to, any applicable state regulation, all deadlines associated with completing, auditing, and reporting on the official canvass of the May 12, 2020, Special General Elections to be held within the 25th Congressional District of the State and the 28th Senate District of the State are extended by 21 days. Counties are urged to complete activities related to the official canvass according to the deadlines ordinarily imposed by state law, to the extent possible. The Secretary of State is requested to issue guidance to county elections officials concerning compliance with this paragraph.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 20th day of March 2020.



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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-35-20

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** despite sustained efforts, COVID-19 continues to spread and is impacting nearly all sectors of California; and

**WHEREAS** it is imperative that clinics, hospice, mobile healthcare units, and adult day health care facilities maximize the number of capable healthcare workers to ensure that Californians impacted by COVID-19 are able to access medical treatment; and

**WHEREAS** governmental entities must have sufficient staffing to adequately address the impacts of COVID-19, and state and local governing bodies must have critical and timely information relating to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** given the impacts of COVID-19 on governmental entities, certain statutory deadlines would be impractical or impossible to adhere to; and

**WHEREAS** on March 17, 2020, I issued Executive Order N-31-20, in which I implemented measures to ensure the expeditious restoration of the supply chain, and further action is needed to ensure the purpose of this action is effectuated; and

**WHEREAS** state institutions housing vulnerable populations, such as those operated by the Department of State Hospitals and the Department of Developmental Services, require special measures to protect those populations from COVID-19 and ensure continuity of care; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code sections 8571 and 8627.5, I find that strict compliance with various statutes, regulations, and certain local ordinances specified or referenced herein would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8571, and 8627.5, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

- 1) In order to assist in the care or to protect the health of individuals not in a hospital or health facility, as defined in Health and Safety Code section 1250, and due to the COVID-19 outbreak, the director of the State Department of Public Health may, for the duration of the declared

emergency, waive any of the licensing and staffing requirements of chapters 1, 3.3, 8.5, and 9 of division 2 of the Health and Safety Code and any accompanying regulations with respect to any clinic, adult day health care, hospice, or mobile health care unit. Any waiver shall include alternative measures that, under the circumstances, will allow the clinic, adult day health care, hospice, or mobile health care unit to assist in the care or protect the health of individuals while protecting public health and safety. Any waivers granted pursuant to this paragraph shall be posted on the Department's website.

- 2) Notwithstanding Government Code section 54952.2, subdivision (b)(1), or Government Code section 11122.5, subdivision (b)(1), or any other provision of the Brown Act or the Bagley-Keene Act, as applicable, all members of a local legislative body or state body may receive updates (including, but not limited to, simultaneous updates) relevant to the declared emergency (including, but not limited to, updates concerning the impacts of COVID-19, the government response to COVID-19, and other aspects relevant to the declared emergency) from federal, state, and local officials, and may ask questions of those federal, state, and local officials, in order for members of the legislative body to stay apprised of emergency operations and the impact of the emergency on their constituents. Nothing in this Order permits the members of a local legislative body or state body to take action on, or to discuss amongst themselves, any item of business that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body without complying with otherwise-applicable requirements of the Brown Act or the Bagley-Keene Act, respectively. Nothing in this section shall impact Paragraph 3 of Executive Order N-29-20.
- 3) The suspension of statutes identified in Paragraph 7 of Executive Order E-25-20, issued on March 12, 2020, shall also apply to local governments, as applicable, to ensure adequate staffing to appropriately respond to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- 4) Any local ordinance, including those relating to noise limitations, is suspended to the extent it restricts, delays, or otherwise inhibits the delivery of food products, pharmaceuticals, and other emergency necessities distributed through grocery stores and other retail or institutional channels, including, but not limited to, hospitals, jails, restaurants, and schools.
- 5) To ensure that patients with mental or behavioral health conditions continue to receive the services and support they need, notwithstanding disruptions caused by COVID-19; and to protect the health, safety and welfare of patients with mental or behavioral health conditions committed to the State Department of State Hospitals facilities, as defined by Welfare and Institutions Code Sections 4100 and 7200; the Director of the State Department of State Hospitals may issue directives waiving any provision or requirement of the Welfare and Institutions Code; any provision or requirement of the Penal Code that affects the execution of laws relating to care, custody, and treatment of persons with mental illness committed to or in the custody of the State Department State Hospitals; and the accompanying regulations of Title 9, Division 1 of the California Code of Regulations. The Director shall describe the need for the waiver

granted in each directive and articulate how the waiver is necessary to protect the public health or safety (including, but not limited to, the health or safety of the individuals served at any Department-operated facility or the staff serving such individuals) from the threat of COVID-19, or how the waiver is necessary to ensure that services to individuals with mental or behavioral health conditions are not disrupted. Any waiver granted by a directive shall expire 30 days from the date of its issuance, except that the Director may grant one or more 30-day extensions if the waiver continues to be necessary to protect health or safety or to ensure delivery of services. The Director shall rescind a waiver once it is no longer necessary to protect public health or safety or ensure delivery of services. Any waivers and extensions granted pursuant to this paragraph shall be posted on the Department's website.

- 6) As needed to safeguard health of persons already admitted, committed, or ordered to the facilities described in this paragraph and notwithstanding the Penal Code, the Welfare and Institutions Code, or any other statute or regulation, the Director of the Department of Developmental Disabilities is authorized to deny admission or delay discharge of all individuals judicially or otherwise admitted, committed or ordered to the Porterville Developmental Center; the Canyon Springs Community Facility; a Stabilization, Training Assistance, and Reintegration (STAR) home; or any other facility under the jurisdiction or control of the Department for 30 days after the issuance of this Order. The Director may grant one or more 30-day extensions if such action is necessary to protect the public health or safety (including, but not limited to, the health or safety of the individuals served at any Department-operated facility or the staff serving such individuals) from the threat of COVID-19. The Director of the Department shall describe the need justifying the closure of admissions to and delay in discharges from the Department-operated facility. The Director shall authorize admissions and discharges once the actions described in this paragraph are no longer necessary to protect the public health or safety (including, but not limited to, the health or safety of the individuals served at any Department-operated facility or the staff serving such individuals). The Director shall post the notice of closure of admissions and discharges and the extension of closure to the Department facility on the Department's website.
- 7) The deadlines specified in Education Code section 44242.7(a), and California Code of Regulations, title 5, section 80306, related to the presentation of disciplinary cases to the Committee of Credentials for initial review; Education Code section 44244(b)(1), related to the formal review of disciplinary cases and determination of any adverse action by the Committee of Credentials; Education Code section 44343.5, related to the processing of military spouse or partner applications; and Education Code section 44350, related to processing educator applications, are extended for a period of 60 days.
- 8) The deadline specified in Government Code section 11517(c)(2), related to an agency's action on an administrative law judge's proposed decision, is extended for a period of 60 days.
- 9) The deadlines specified in Government Code section 1774(a), related to the Governor's reappointment of an incumbent to an office, and

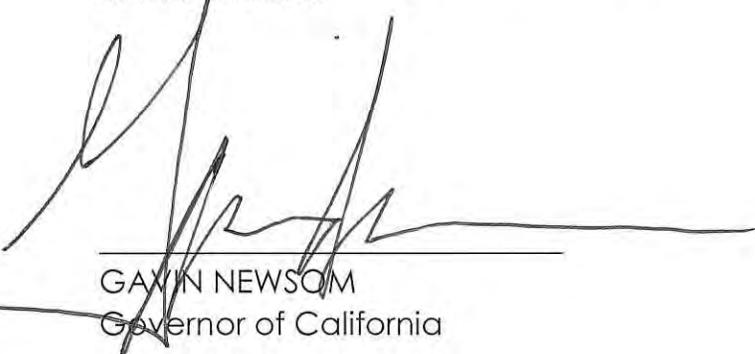
Government Code section 1774(b), related to transmittal of the required information about reappointment of an incumbent to the Secretary of the Senate, are extended for a period of 60 days.

- 10) The deadline specified in Government Code section 12011.5(c), related to State Bar's transmittal of its report to the Governor of its evaluation of all judicial candidates referred by the Governor, is extended for a period of 60 days.
- 11) The time for presenting a claim pursuant to Government Code section 911, et seq., is hereby extended by 60 days. The time within which the Department of General Services may act upon such claim is extended by 60 days.
- 12) The time limitation set forth in Penal Code section 4750(j) for any jurisdiction submitting a claim for reimbursement is delayed for a period of 60 days. The State Controller shall have the discretion to provide the additional time extension, as appropriate.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 21st day of March 2020.



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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-36-20

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the impacts of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** despite sustained efforts, COVID-19 continues to spread and is impacting nearly all sectors of California; and

**WHEREAS**, state and local correctional and public safety leaders are building on their longstanding partnership, to protect public health and safety in the context of the COVID-19 crisis; and

**WHEREAS** the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) has infectious disease management plans in place to address communicable disease outbreaks such as influenza, measles, mumps, norovirus, and varicella, and CDCR has taken a series of additional proactive steps to reduce the risk of introducing and spreading COVID-19 in CDCR facilities, including:

- educating staff, inmates, and visitors regarding ways they can protect themselves and those around them from COVID-19;
- screening staff before they enter work locations;
- increasing cleaning and sanitation of CDCR facilities and providing staff and inmates with access to additional soap and sanitizing products;
- quarantining inmates arriving from county jails;
- restricting visitors and volunteers, and offering free methods for inmates to communicate with family members, friends, and attorneys;
- limiting inmate transfers including suspending out-of-state parole or inmate transfers to California for 30 days; and
- suspending scheduled in-person parole visits, except when statutorily required, for critical needs, or in emergencies; and
- eliminating parole revocations in many cases; and

**WHEREAS** the Governor's Office of Emergency Services has operated and continues to operate a multi-agency correctional task force to identify additional steps necessary, as this emergency develops, for action to protect health and safety; and

**WHEREAS** many inmates who are confined in state prison are entitled to timely parole hearings under the California Constitution, the Penal Code, and a federal three-judge court order; and

**WHEREAS** COVID-19 and the response thereto have impaired the Board of Parole Hearings' ability to meet the usual statutory and regulatory requirements to timely conduct parole hearings in person; and

**WHEREAS** inmates, inmates' counsel, victims and their representatives, and representatives of the people have the right to be heard at parole hearings, but such hearings must be secure and safe for all participants; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8627, 8567, and 8571, do hereby issue the following order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

1. To protect the health, safety, and welfare of inmates in the custody of CDCR and staff who work in the facilities, I direct the Secretary of CDCR to use his emergency authority under California Penal Code section 2900(b) to suspend intake into state facilities for 30 days by directing that all persons convicted of felonies shall be received, detained, or housed in the jail or other facility currently detaining or housing them for that period. Consistent with California Penal Code section 2900(b), the time during which such person is housed in the jail or other facility shall be computed as part of the term of judgment. I further order the Secretary to suspend intake into Division of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) facilities for 30 days. To the extent that any statutory or other provisions require DJJ to accept new juveniles into its facilities, such provisions are waived or suspended. The Secretary may grant one or more 30-day extensions of the suspension of intake or commitment if suspension continues to be necessary to protect the health, safety, and welfare of inmates and juveniles in CDCR's custody and staff who work in the facilities.
2. The Board of Parole Hearings is directed to develop a process for conducting parole hearings by videoconference and shall confer with stakeholders in developing this process. The Board of Parole Hearings shall endeavor to make parole hearings conducted via videoconference accessible to all participants specified in the Penal Code and the California Code of Regulations. This process shall be operational no later than April 13, 2020.
3. To protect the health and welfare of inmates, hearing board officers, inmates' counsel, victims and their representatives, and representatives of the people, the Board of Parole Hearings is directed to cease conducting in-person parole hearings for 60 days and shall postpone any scheduled parole hearings until April 13, 2020, or an earlier date at which it is able to accommodate conducting parole hearings by video conference. The Secretary may grant one or more 30-day extensions of the prohibition on in-person parole hearings if it continues to be necessary to protect the health, safety, and welfare of inmates in CDCR's custody, staff who work in the facilities, hearing officers, victims and their representatives, and representatives of the people.

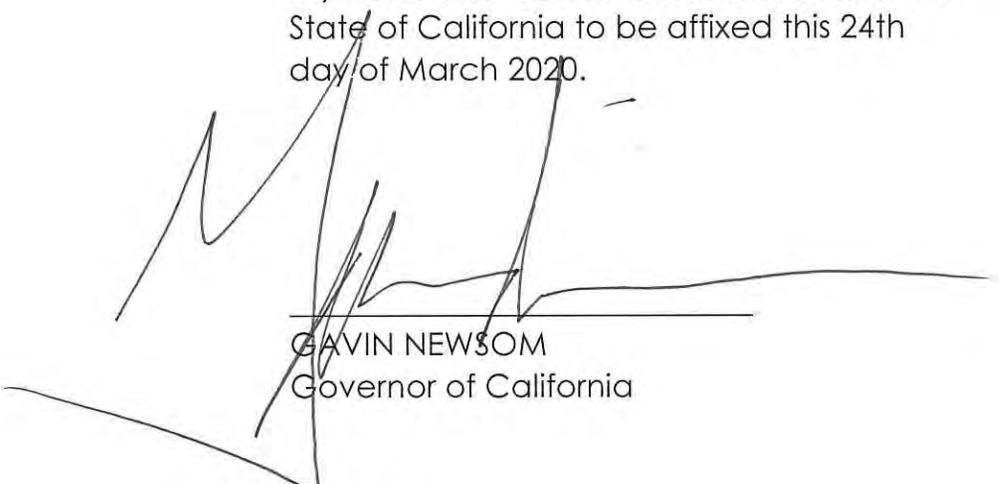
4. For the next 60 days, and for the term of any extensions, inmates scheduled for a parole hearing can elect to continue with their timely parole hearing by videoconference, to accept a postponement of their parole hearing, or to waive their hearing.
  - a. Any parole hearing postponed under this provision shall be rescheduled for the earliest practicable date.
  - b. All rights for all participants delineated by state law will be applied to hearings postponed and rescheduled.
  - c. To the extent that an inmate is required to show good cause to waive or postpone his or her hearing under California Code of Regulations, title 15, section 2253, subdivisions (b)(3) and (d)(2), such requirements are suspended for the next 60 days, and for the term of any extensions.
5. For the next 60 days, and for the term of any extensions, to the extent that any law or regulation gives any person the right to be present at a parole hearing, that right is satisfied by the opportunity to appear by videoconference. Specifically:
  - a. For inmates who choose to go forward with their parole hearing by videoconference during the next 60 days, and during the term of any extensions, the inmate's right to be present and to meet with a Board of Parole Hearing's panel under Penal Code sections 3041, subdivision (a)(2), 3041.5, subdivision (a)(2), and California Code of Regulations, title 15, section 2247, is satisfied by appearance through videoconference.
  - b. For inmates who choose to go forward with their parole hearing by videoconference during the next 60 days, and during the term of any extensions, Penal Code section 3041.7 and California Code of Regulations, title 15, section 2256, which provide that an inmate has the right to be represented by an attorney at parole hearings, will be satisfied by the attorney appearing by videoconference and by providing for privileged teleconferencing between the inmate and attorney immediately before and during the hearing. Such inmates will also be provided reasonable time and opportunity for privileged communications by telephone with their retained or appointed counsel prior to the hearing at no charge to either party.
  - c. For hearings conducted by videoconference during the next 60 days, and during the term of any extensions, the right of victims, victims' next of kin, members of the victims' family and victims' representatives to be present at a parole hearing will be satisfied by the opportunity to appear by videoconference, teleconference, or by written or electronically recorded statement, consistent with California Constitution, Article I, section 28, subdivision (b)(7), Penal Code section 3043, subdivision (b)(1) and California Code of Regulations, title 15, section 2029, and as provided in Penal Code sections 3043.2 and 3043.25.

- d. For hearings conducted by videoconference during the next 60 days, and during the term of any extensions, Penal Code section 3041.7 providing that the prosecuting attorney may represent the interests of the people at the hearing will be satisfied by the opportunity to appear by videoconference, teleconference, or a written statement.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 24th day of March 2020.



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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

**EXECUTIVE ORDER N-37-20**

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** in a short period of time, COVID-19 has rapidly spread throughout California, necessitating stringent public health emergency orders as well as guidance from federal, state, and local public health officials; and

**WHEREAS** on March 16, 2020, I issued Executive Order N-28-20, suspending state law limitations on local jurisdictions that impose restrictions on evictions; and

**WHEREAS** on March 19, 2020, I issued Executive Order N-33-20, ordering all residents to immediately heed the Order of the State Public Health Officer for all residents, unless exempted, to stay home or at their place of residence; and

**WHEREAS** many Californians are experiencing or will experience substantial losses of income as a result of business closures, the loss of hours or wages, or layoffs related to COVID-19, hindering their ability to keep up with their rent, and leaving them vulnerable to eviction; and

**WHEREAS** minimizing evictions during this period is critical to reducing the spread of COVID-19 in vulnerable populations by allowing all residents to stay home or at their place of residence in compliance with Executive Order N-33-20; and

**WHEREAS** Chief Justice Tani Cantil-Sakauye issued advisory guidance on March 20, 2020 for superior courts to suspend most civil trials and hearings for at least 60 days, and on March 23, 2020, suspended all jury trials for a period of 60 days, and extended by 60 days the time period for the holding of a civil trial; and

**WHEREAS** on March 25, 2020 the Department of Business Oversight secured support from national banks, state banks and credit unions for temporary delays in mortgage payments and foreclosure sales and evictions for homeowners who have economic impacts from COVID-19 with the objective of maximizing consistency and minimizing hurdles potentially faced by borrowers.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567 and 8571, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

- 1) The deadline specified in Code of Civil Procedure section 1167 shall be extended for a period of 60 days for any tenant who is served, while

this Order is in effect, with a complaint that seeks to evict the tenant from a residence or dwelling unit for nonpayment of rent and who satisfies all of the following requirements:

- a. Prior to the date of this Order, the tenant paid rent due to the landlord pursuant to an agreement.
  - b. The tenant notifies the landlord in writing before the rent is due, or within a reasonable period of time afterwards not to exceed 7 days, that the tenant needs to delay all or some payment of rent because of an inability to pay the full amount due to reasons related to COVID-19, including but not limited to the following:
    - (i) The tenant was unavailable to work because the tenant was sick with a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19 or caring for a household or family member who was sick with a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19;
    - (ii) The tenant experienced a lay-off, loss of hours, or other income reduction resulting from COVID-19, the state of emergency, or related government response; or
    - (iii) The tenant needed to miss work to care for a child whose school was closed in response to COVID-19.
  - c. The tenant retains verifiable documentation, such as termination notices, payroll checks, pay stubs, bank statements, medical bills, or signed letters or statements from an employer or supervisor explaining the tenant's changed financial circumstances, to support the tenant's assertion of an inability to pay. This documentation may be provided to the landlord no later than the time upon payment of back-due rent.
- 2) No writ may be enforced while this Order is in effect to evict a tenant from a residence or dwelling unit for nonpayment of rent who satisfies the requirements of subparagraphs (a)-(c) of paragraph 1.
  - 3) The protections in paragraphs 1 and 2 shall be in effect through May 31, 2020.

Nothing in this Order shall prevent a tenant who is able to pay all or some of the rent due from paying that rent in a timely manner or relieve a tenant of liability for unpaid rent.

Nothing in this Order shall in any way restrict state or local governmental authority to order any quarantine, isolation, or other public health measure that may compel an individual to remain physically present in a particular residential property.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that this Order supersedes Executive Order N-28-20 to the extent that there is any conflict with that Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**I FURTHER DIRECT** that as soon as hereafter possible, this proclamation be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 27th day of March 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gavin Newsom', written over a horizontal line.

GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-38-20

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** government institutions throughout California are working to mitigate the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS** the Judicial Branch, under the leadership of the Judicial Council and its Chairperson, is among those government institutions that has risen to the challenge presented by COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** the Judicial Branch retains extensive authority, statutory and otherwise, to manage its own operations as it deems appropriate to mitigate the impacts of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** the authority entrusted to the Judicial Branch and its officers under existing law includes the authority of the Chairperson of the Judicial Council to issue orders, under Government Code section 68115, authorizing courts to take certain actions in response to an emergency, as well as the authority of the Judicial Council, under Article VI, section 6 of the California Constitution, to “adopt rules for court administration, practice, and procedure” as long as those rules are not inconsistent with statute; and

**WHEREAS** the Chairperson of the Judicial Council has already exercised her authority to suspend jury trials; to extend the time period for bringing an action to trial; to authorize particular courts to deem certain days holidays under Code of Civil Procedure sections 12 and 12a; and to take other action to protect the health and safety of all who work in, use, and otherwise attend the courts, while also preserving parties’ due process rights; and

**WHEREAS** the purpose of this Order is to enhance the authority of the Judicial Council and its Chairperson to issue emergency orders; to amend or adopt rules for court administration, practice, and procedure; and to take other action to respond to the emergency caused by COVID-19;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8571, and 8627, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

- 1) To the extent Government Code section 68115 or any other provision of law imposes or implies a limitation on the subject matter the Chairperson of the Judicial Council may address via emergency order or statewide rule issued pursuant to section 68115, that limitation is suspended. This paragraph is intended to remove any impediment that would otherwise prevent the Chairperson from authorizing, by

emergency order or statewide rule, any court to take any action she deems necessary to maintain the safe and orderly operation of that court. Nothing in this paragraph is intended to in any way restrict the Chairperson's existing authority under section 68115, or to alter in any way any order the Chairperson has previously issued pursuant to her authority under section 68115.

- 2) To the extent Government Code section 68115 or section 68072, or any other provision of law, imposes or implies a limitation on the authority of the Judicial Council or its Chairperson to provide (by emergency order issued pursuant to section 68115 or otherwise) for an emergency statewide or local rule or order amending the California Rules of Court or any other applicable court rule, or for any other expedited procedure for amending the California Rules of Court or any other applicable court rule, that limitation is suspended. This paragraph is intended to remove any impediment that would otherwise prevent the Judicial Council or its Chairperson from establishing (by emergency order or otherwise) an emergency or otherwise expedited procedure for making such amendments to the California Rules of Court or any other applicable court rule as the Judicial Council may, in its discretion, choose to adopt in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. This paragraph should be construed to extend the rulemaking authority of the Judicial Council to its constitutional maximum under Article VI, section 6 of the California Constitution.
- 3) In the event that the Judicial Council or its Chairperson, in the exercise of rulemaking authority consistent with Paragraph 2, wishes to consider a rule that would otherwise be inconsistent with any statute concerning civil or criminal practice or procedure, the relevant statute is suspended, subject to the following conditions:
  - a) The statute is suspended only to the extent it is inconsistent with the proposed rule;
  - b) The statute is suspended only if the proposed rule is adopted; and
  - c) The statute is suspended only when the adopted rule becomes effective.

The purpose of this paragraph is to afford the Judicial Council and its Chairperson maximum flexibility to adopt any rules concerning civil or criminal practice or procedure they may deem necessary to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic, while ensuring that the rules adopted "shall not be inconsistent with statute," as provided in Article VI, section 6 of the California Constitution.

- 4) In addition to any statute suspended pursuant to Paragraph 3, the following statutes are suspended:
  - a) Code of Civil Procedure section 2025.310, subdivision (b), to the extent that subdivision limits a court's authority to provide that a party deponent may appear at a deposition by telephone.
  - b) Code of Civil Procedure section 1010.6, subdivisions (b) through (d), to the extent those subdivisions limit a court's authority to order parties to accept electronic service, or to perform service

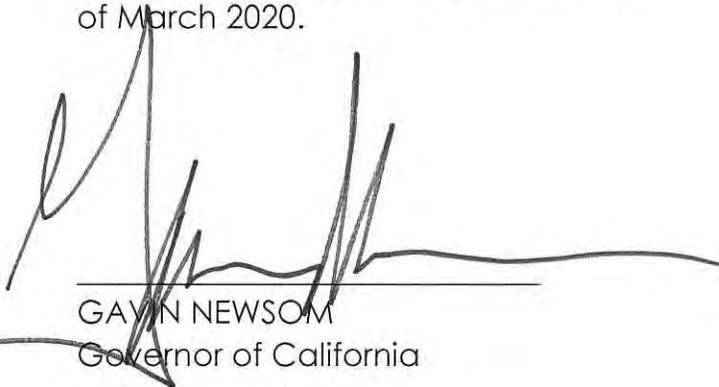
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- 5) Nothing in this Order is intended to suspend or otherwise interfere with any rule of the California Rules of Court, any local rule of any California court, or any other rule or order of any California court, except to the extent the Judicial Council or its Chairperson may provide consistent with this Order or in a manner otherwise authorized by law.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 27th day of March 2020.



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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-39-20

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** despite sustained efforts, COVID-19 continues to spread at a rapid rate, threatening to overwhelm California's healthcare delivery system; and

**WHEREAS** California is preparing for a surge in the number of people who will need hospital care during the COVID-19 outbreak by increasing the number of hospital beds and post-acute care facilities that can treat and serve patients; and

**WHEREAS** this anticipated increase in the use of the healthcare system will require an increase in the health care workforce such as nurses, doctors, medical assistants, and emergency medical technicians; and

**WHEREAS** maximizing the number of qualified and capable medical and healthcare workers in service in California is imperative to ensure that Californians impacted by COVID-19 can access medical treatment; and

**WHEREAS**, the anticipated surge requires temporary adjustment of California's staffing and health and safety standards for health providers and health facilities, which are among the strongest in the nation, as numerous professionals are unable to satisfy professional licensing requirements in light of the COVID-19 pandemic that then subsequently prevent them from providing necessary medical and healthcare assistance to the public; and

**WHEREAS**, our most vulnerable residents who rely on state and local government for social services need additional support during this time; and

**WHEREAS** the Department of Developmental Services operates Stabilization, Training, Assistance and Reintegration (STAR) community crisis homes to treat individuals with developmental disabilities in acute crisis and additional STAR homes are required to provide treatment to such individuals and to protect the public health during the COVID-19 crisis; and

**WHEREAS** federal guidance permits monthly caseworker visits with children under court jurisdiction to be accomplished through videoconferencing in limited circumstances, such as a declaration of an emergency that prohibits or strongly discourages face-to-face contact for public health reasons; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567 and 8571, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

- 1) To assist in the care and/or to protect the health of individuals in hospitals and other health facilities, and due to the COVID-19 outbreak, the director of the State Department of Public Health may, to the extent necessary and only for the duration of the declared emergency, waive any of the licensing and staffing requirements of chapters 2 and 2.4 of division 2 of the Health and Safety Code and any accompanying regulations with respect to any hospital or health facility identified in Health and Safety Code section 1250. Any waiver shall include alternative measures that, under the circumstances, will allow the facilities to treat patients while protecting public health and safety. To the extent the facility maintains a disaster and mass casualty plan, the facility granted a waiver shall be established and operate in accordance with that plan. Any waivers granted pursuant to this paragraph shall be posted on the Department's website.
- 2) To facilitate the continued provision of care due to the COVID-19 outbreak, the director of the State Department of Public Health may, to the extent necessary and only for the duration of the declared emergency, waive any of the professional licensing and certification requirements and amend scopes of practice of chapters 2, 2.35, and 8 of division 2 of the Health and Safety Code and any accompanying regulations with respect to certified nursing assistants, home health aides, and nursing home administrators, and chapter 3, division 2 of the Business and Professions Code and accompanying regulations with respect to certified hemodialysis technicians. The Department shall provide guidance to facilities directing the appropriate qualifications and scope of practice for each classification operating under a waiver based on sound clinical guidelines and the individual's training, education, and work experience. Any waiver shall include alternative measures that, under the circumstances, will allow the facilities to treat patients while protecting public health and safety. Any waivers granted pursuant to this paragraph shall be posted on the Department's website.
- 3) The certification and permitting requirements of the Radiologic Technology Act (as identified in Health and Safety Code section 27) are, only for the duration of the declared emergency, suspended for all persons:
  - (i) whose certificate or permit issued pursuant to the Radiological Technology Act is expired, regardless of expiration date, or has been canceled; or
  - (ii) who hold Radiography certification issued by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists or are an American Registry of Radiologic Technologists Registered Radiologist Assistant; or
  - (iii) who are credentialed as Radiology Practitioner Assistants by the Certification Board for Radiology Practitioner Assistants; or

- (iv) who are certified, permitted or otherwise authorized to perform radiologic technology by passing a State-required examination by a state other than the State of California; and
- (v) who are working under the supervision of a person licensed under the Medical Practice Act, except that the requirement to be under supervision shall not apply to a licentiate of the healing arts, as defined in the Radiological Technology Act; and
- (vi) who are deemed by a health facility as necessary workforce for purposes of this Order.

The specific certification requirements of Health and Safety Code section 107110 are suspended for any person who is licensed under the Medical Practice Act (Business and Professions Code sections 2000, et seq.). Except for persons licensed under the Medical Practice Act, this suspension of certification and permitting requirements shall not apply to persons who have never been either certified or permitted by the Department of Public Health, or certified, permitted, or otherwise authorized by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists, the Certification Board for Radiology Practitioner Assistants, or any other state. This suspension of certification and permitting requirements shall also not apply to persons whose certificate, permit, or other authorization has been revoked or suspended for cause by the Department of Public Health, the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists, the Certification Board for Radiology Practitioner Assistants, or any other state.

- 4) To ensure hospitals are adequately prepared and staffed to treat COVID-19 patients, the Director of the State Department of Public Health may temporarily waive licensing requirements in Health and Safety Code section 1277 and sections 70203(a)(2), 70701(a)(1)(E), 70703(b), and 70705(a) of Chapter 1, Article 3, of Title 22, that pertain to the credentialing and privileging of physicians. Any waiver shall include alternate measures that, under the circumstances, ensure the competency of physicians providing medical services at the hospital.
- 5) To facilitate the continued provision of care to individuals affected by the COVID-19 outbreak, the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs may to the extent necessary and only for the duration of the declared emergency, waive any of the professional licensing requirements and amend scopes of practice in Division 2 of the Business and Professions Code, and any accompanying regulations. Professional licensing requirements should be interpreted broadly to effectuate the purposes of this executive order, and they include, but are not limited to, the examination, education, experience, and training requirements necessary to obtain and maintain licensure, and requirements governing the practice and permissible activities for licensees. The Department, in conjunction with the relevant licensing board, shall provide guidance identifying the appropriate qualifications and scope of practice for each classification operating under a waiver based on sound clinical guidelines and the individual's training, education, and work experience. Any waiver may include alternative measures that, under the circumstances, will allow the regulated individual to treat patients while protecting public health

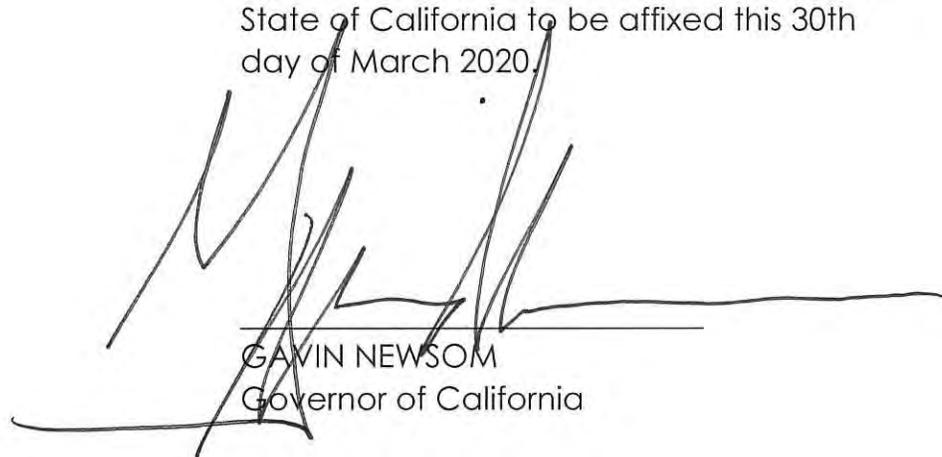
and safety. Any waivers granted pursuant to this paragraph shall be posted on the Department's website.

- 6) To ensure the continued operation of the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) system without unduly endangering the people of California during the COVID-19 outbreak, the Director of the California Emergency Medical Services Authority may as necessary and only for the duration of the declared emergency, suspend any licensing, certification, or training requirements for EMS personnel as contained in the EMS Act Chapters 2, 3, and 4, and accompanying regulations, including the authority to permit EMS personnel to provide services in any setting as authorized by the Director for the performance of the current scope of practice. The Authority shall provide guidance to local emergency medical services authorities directing the appropriate qualifications and scope of practice for each classification operating under a waiver based on sound clinical guidelines and the individual's training, education, and work experience. Any waivers granted pursuant to this paragraph shall be posted on the Authority's website.
- 7) Notwithstanding the Government Code section 14669, or any other law, the Director of the Department of Developmental Services has the authority to enter into a lease, lease-purchase, lease with option to purchase any real or personal property or any other agreement to procure residences or facilities and necessary equipment, goods or services to serve those individuals with development disabilities in crisis, to respond to, mitigate the effects or prevent the spread of COVID-19 to individuals with developmental disabilities or the general community. The leases or agreements may be executed without the review or prior approval of any other state department or agency. The leases or agreements executed pursuant to this provision shall be in effect so long as necessary to address the COVID-19 crisis or its effects.
- 8) The Department of Social Services may, to the extent the Department deems necessary to respond to the COVID-19 crisis, allow any state monthly face-to-face caseworker visitation requirement, standard, or criteria set forth in the Welfare and Institutions Code sections 16501.1, subdivision (l), 16516.5, and 16516.6, as well as accompanying regulations or other written directives, policies or procedures, to be accomplished through videoconferencing, instead of in-person contact. This flexibility shall only be utilized by caseworkers in keeping with guidance from the Department and after a child-specific decision based on the training and experience of the social worker, considering all available information, that an in-person visit is not necessary to ensure the child's safety and well-being. Any flexibility granted pursuant to this paragraph shall not waive or conflict with applicable federal requirements in United States Code, Title 42, sections 622, subdivision (b)(17) and 624, subdivision (f), as modified for emergency waivers in guidance issued March 18, 2020, in the Child Welfare Policy Manual Title IV-B, section 7.3, question 8 and shall expire at the end of the emergency declaration, in 90 days, or sooner as determined by the Department. Any flexibility granted pursuant to this paragraph shall be posted to the Department's website.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 30th day of March 2020.



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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-40-20

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** on March 19, 2020 I issued a statewide Order directing all residents to heed current state public health directives to stay home except as needed to maintain continuity of operations of critical infrastructure sectors during the COVID-19 response; and

**WHEREAS** the COVID-19 pandemic and the necessary physical distancing measures implemented have affected governmental agencies, private businesses, and California residents alike, with associated impacts on adherence to certain statutory deadlines; and

**WHEREAS** certain businesses have been unable to operate, or are otherwise significantly impacted, as a result of COVID-19 and require administrative relief; and

**WHEREAS** certain corporations are unable to conduct in-person shareholder meetings due to physical distancing requirements; and

**WHEREAS** the State is conducting or may conduct critical emergency activities at fairgrounds and existing law restricts the Fairs' access to the Fairs and Exposition Fund; and

**WHEREAS** the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Program is designed to ensure program participants access to necessary nutrition and COVID-19 related scarcity has caused challenges in program participants' access to this nutrition; and

**WHEREAS** existing law requires the Division of Juvenile Justice and the Board of Juvenile Hearings within the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to be reestablished under the California Health and Human Services Agency as the Department of Youth and Community Restoration, and requires the transfer to be completed by July 1, 2020; and

**WHEREAS** the Division of Juvenile Justice, the California Health and Human Services Agency, and the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation have taken numerous steps over many months to initiate the transfer, but the threat of COVID-19 has newly forced Division of Juvenile Justice to redirect available resources to preventing COVID-19 from entering the juvenile facilities and to protecting and serving the youth residing in and the staff working in these facilities, and has forced California Health and Human Services Agency to redirect resources from assisting Division of Juvenile Justice with the transfer to addressing the broader COVID-19 emergency; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567 and 8571, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

1. The deadlines specified in Government Code sections 11346.4(b), 11346.1(e) and (h), 11349.4(a), and 11349.3(a), and the accompanying regulation in Title 1, California Code of Regulations, section 100(c), related to the filing, refiling, certification and/or review of regulations and emergency regulations, are extended for a period of 60 calendar days to allow state agencies additional time to finalize regulatory changes pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act.
2. The deadlines specified in Government Code section 19995.4 (b)-(e), related to leadership and development training for supervisors, managers, and career executive assignment employees, are extended for a period of 60 days.
3. The deadline specified in Revenue and Taxation Code section 19522(a)(1), related to the submission by the Franchise Tax Board of an annual report to the Legislature on all changes to the Internal Revenue Code enacted into law in 2019, is extended for a period of 60 days.
4. In order to quickly provide relief from interest and penalties for businesses impacted by the proclaimed emergency of COVID-19, the provisions of the Revenue and Taxation Code that apply to the taxes and fees administered by the Department of Tax and Fee Administration requiring a request for an extension and the filing of a statement under penalty of perjury may be suspended by the Department for a period of up to three months after the due date of the return or payment for individuals or businesses filing a return for less than \$1,000,000 in tax. This is effective after the date of this Order and shall remain effective through the reporting of taxes or fees due or the payment of taxes that are due on or by July 31, 2020.
5. The provisions of the Revenue and Taxation Code that apply to the taxes and fees administered by the Department of Tax and Fee Administration and specify the statute of limitations to file a claim for refund for the taxes and fees administered by the Department of Tax and Fee Administration are extended for a period of 60 days for individuals who or businesses that are unable to file a timely claim for refund as a result of this proclaimed emergency related to COVID-19. The provisions in this paragraph are effective after the date of this Order and shall remain effective for all claims for refunds that must otherwise be filed by July 31, 2020.
6. The provisions of the Department of Tax and Fee Administration's Rules for Tax Appeals that interpret and apply the Revenue and Taxation Code to the taxes and fees administered by the Department of Tax and Fee Administration and that provide a 30-day period to file an administrative appeal with the Office of Tax Appeals are extended for a period of 60 days for individuals who or businesses that are unable to

file a timely administrative appeal as a result of this proclaimed emergency related to COVID-19. The provisions in this paragraph are effective after the date of this Order and shall remain effective through July 31, 2020.

7. To protect the health and welfare of employees, state department representatives, hearing officers, administrative law judges, counsel, and others who conduct business relating to evidentiary appeals before the State Personnel Board, the six-month time limitation under Government Code section 18671.1 by which the Board shall render its decision after the filing of an appeal shall be extended by 60 days.
8. The deadlines specified in Government Code section 22844 and California Code of Regulations, title 2, sections 599.517 and 599.518, related to notification of requirement to enroll in Medicare (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 599.517, subd. (c)(2).), administrative review of termination of enrollment in basic health benefits plan including requests for administrative review, acknowledgement of receipt of administrative review requests, and provision of administrative review decisions (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 599.517, subd. (g)(2), (3)), administrative review of the basis for delayed effective date including requests for administrative review, acknowledgement of receipt of administrative review requests, and provision of administrative review decisions (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 599.517, subd. (h)(2), (3).), administrative review of decisions resulting from an appeals process related to coverage including requests for administrative review, acknowledgement of receipt of administrative review requests, and provision of administrative review decisions (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 599.518, subd. (d)(1), (2).), requests for administrative hearings related to administrative review decisions and provision of the CalPERS Board of Administration's decision related to administrative hearing (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 599.518, subd. (e)(1), (3).), are extended for a period of 60 days.
9. The Director of the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control shall have the authority to suspend, for a period of up to 60 days, the deadlines for renewing licenses upon payment of annual fees and license renewal penalty fees that are due, as specified in Business and Professions Code section 24048.
10. The deadlines to pay annual fees, including any installment payments, currently due or that will become due during the proclaimed emergency, as specified in Business and Professions Code sections 19942, 19951, 19954, 19955, and any accompanying regulations; the expiration dates of all licensees, work permits, findings of suitability, or other approvals, as specified in Business and Professions Code sections 19876, 19877, 19912(a)(1)(B), and any accompanying regulations; the deadlines for submission and processing of any application or related fee, as specified in Business and Professions Code sections 19868, 19876, 19877, 19942, and any accompanying regulations; the deadline for completing the annual financial reports and audited reports, as specified in section 12313 of Title 4 of the California Code of Regulations; and the deadlines for satisfying any outstanding requirements, including conditions or restrictions on licenses, work

permits, findings of suitability, or other approvals, as specified in Business and Professions Code sections 19824, 19870, and 19912, are extended for a period of 60 days for any card room or third-party provider of proposition player service that suspends operations due to the proclaimed emergency.

11. For any shareholder meetings that already have been scheduled, or must occur before June 30, 2020, the requirements in Corporations Code sections 20 and 600 to request and receive the consent of shareholders for meetings of shareholders to be held by electronic transmission or by electronic video screen communication are hereby suspended, and the requirement in Corporations Code section 601 to provide written notice of such meetings is hereby suspended, to the extent that a corporation has provided notice to its shareholders that a meeting will occur at a physical location and subsequently provides notice by a press release, website posting and other means reasonably designed to inform shareholders that the meeting will occur by electronic transmission or by electronic video screen communication.
12. The Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs may, for 60 days from the date of this Order, waive any of the continuing education requirements in Divisions 2 and 3 of the Business and Professions Code, and any accompanying regulations.
13. In order to limit the need for in-person transactions at Department of Motor Vehicle offices and thereby facilitate adherence to physical distancing guidelines, the prohibition in Vehicle Code section 12814.5(e) against renewals by mail of driver's licenses and the requirements in Vehicle Code section 13002.1(b) for in-person renewals of identification cards, and any accompanying regulations, are waived for a period of 60 days.
14. To ensure the availability of fairgrounds for emergency activities, the restrictions on the use of the Fair and Expositions Fund contained in Business and Professions Code section 19620.15(h)(3)(C) are suspended, for the duration of the proclaimed emergency, for employees providing critical support for fairgrounds that are or may be activated for emergency activities.
15. The deadline specified in Government Code section 3304(d) for opening and completing investigations of alleged misconduct by public safety officers is extended by 60 days.
16. The deadline for serving a notice of adverse action specified in Government Code section 19635 is extended by 60 days.
17. The deadlines specified in Welfare and Institutions Code section 1961(A) and Government Code section 30061(b)(4) shall be extended by 30 days to allow counties sufficient time to submit updated Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act and the Youthful Offender Block Grant program plans to the Board of State and Community Corrections.
18. In order to enhance options for the delivery of food benefits to WIC participants and implement the administrative flexibilities for the WIC

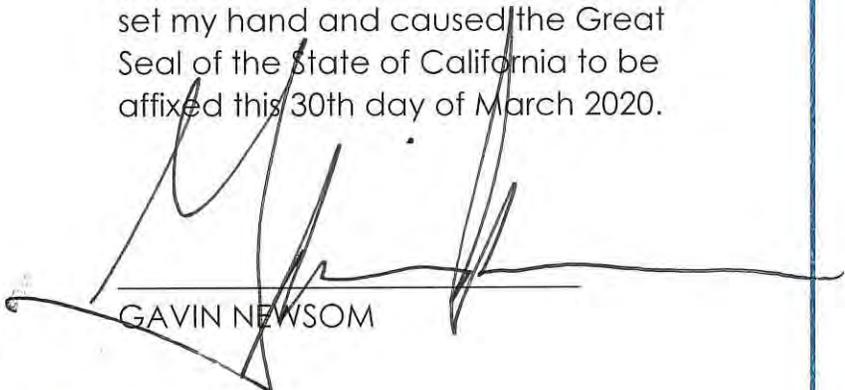
Program contemplated in the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, Public Law No. 116-127, and other federal laws and waivers related to the WIC Program and COVID-19, for the duration of the authority granted by Congress or the COVID-19 waivers granted by the U.S. Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service and any extensions thereto, the director of the State Department of Public Health may make temporary changes to Department's regulations governing WIC certification and eligibility, food delivery systems, and authorized supplemental foods in the California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 2, Subdivision 6, Chapter 6, Articles 2, 5, 6, and 7 and the California Women, Infants, and Children Program Bulletin Regulations Articles 3, 4, and 5 notwithstanding any other provision of State law. Any regulatory changes made pursuant to this paragraph shall be consistent with federal law and associated waivers and shall be posted on the Department's website.

19. In order to ensure timely payment of unemployment benefits, and as requested, notwithstanding Revenue and Taxation Code section 19542 or any other state laws, the Franchise Tax Board has the authority to share bank account information, received during Franchise Tax Board tax administration, of the Employment Development Department's unemployment benefit claimants, through no later than July 15, 2020, which shall be used solely for the express limited purpose of paying unemployment benefit claims.
20. California Code of Regulations, Title 15, section 3041 (b) (2), shall be waived for any inmate who loses a current compensated assignment as a result of a modified program or transfer until such time as the inmate receives a new compensated assignment.
21. The deadline specified in Government Code section 12820 for transfer of Division of Juvenile Justice to the California Health and Human Services Agency and the establishment of the Department of Youth and Community Restoration, is extended from July 1, 2020, to July 1, 2021.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**I FURTHER DIRECT** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 30th day of March 2020.

  
GAVIN NEWSOM

Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-41-20

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** despite sustained efforts, COVID-19 continues to spread and is impacting nearly all sectors of California; and

**WHEREAS** on March 19, 2020, I issued a statewide Order, Executive Order N-33-20, directing all residents to heed current State public health directives to stay home or at their place of residence except as needed to maintain continuity of operations of critical infrastructure sectors during COVID-19 response; and

**WHEREAS** healthcare providers on the front lines of the fight against COVID-19 require personal protective equipment and other medical equipment and supplies to support a hospital surge, while essential critical infrastructure workforce participants also require equipment and other supplies that must be acquired and distributed as quickly as possible to protect public health and safety; and

**WHEREAS** the state must prepare for 50,000 additional hospital beds to address potential COVID-19 hospitalizations in the coming weeks and must work closely with the healthcare sector and the federal government to staff and supply these facilities; and

**WHEREAS** timely actions must be taken to manage vulnerable populations in nursing homes, residential care for the elderly homes, and other facilities to isolate COVID-19 patients and reduce the spread of infection; and

**WHEREAS** vulnerable and other sensitive populations need additional support in order to stay at home under Executive Order N-33-20; and

**WHEREAS** emergency, non-congregate sheltering must be established to isolate, quarantine, and physically distance certain individuals in order to reduce the spread of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** on March 22, 2020, California secured a presidential Major Disaster Declaration, which will supplement the state's comprehensive COVID-19 surge planning and makes federal funding available to the state for emergency protective measures, including direct federal assistance, as well as makes available a specified level of reimbursement of state costs through FEMA, consistent with cost sharing under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act; and

**WHEREAS** California must act quickly to stop the spread of COVID-19 and support infected individuals and must have adequate funding available for these emergency protective measures.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8566, 8567, 8645, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

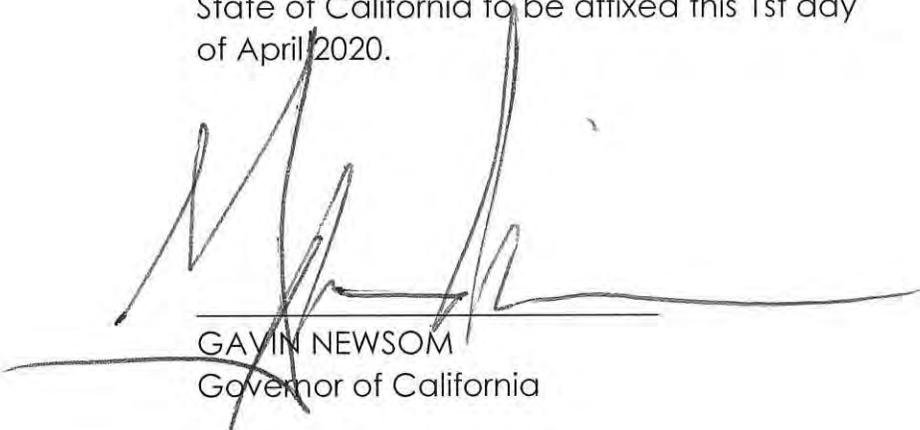
In order to prepare and respond effectively to protect lives in accordance with the State of Emergency declared on March 4, 2020, expenditures shall be made out of the Disaster Response-Emergency Operations Account, a subaccount of the Special Fund for Economic Uncertainties in the General Fund, or any other fund legally available, for personal protective equipment, medical equipment and other expenditures as necessary to support the hospital surge, to provide necessary services to vulnerable populations, and other expenditures necessary to respond to the threat and spread of COVID-19.

The Department of Finance may exercise all authority vested in the Governor by Government Code sections 8566, 8628, 8645, and 8646 necessary to facilitate the making of such expenditures.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 1st day of April 2020.



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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-42-20

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a state of emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** it is the established policy of the State under Water Code section 106.3 that every human being has the right to safe, clean, affordable, and accessible water adequate for human consumption, cooking, and sanitary purposes; and

**WHEREAS** to limit the spread of COVID-19 it is crucial that Californians wash their hands regularly and thoroughly; and

**WHEREAS** many Californians are experiencing or will experience substantial losses of income as a result of business closures, the loss of work hours or wages, or layoffs related to COVID-19, which may hinder their ability to make payments for water service and subject them to water shutoffs due to non-payment; and

**WHEREAS** many small businesses that provide services essential to the health and well-being of Californians have experienced substantial reductions in income, which may hinder their ability to make payments for water service and subject them to water shutoffs due to non-payment; and

**WHEREAS** the California Public Utilities Commission has directed private water utilities under its jurisdiction to implement customer service protections, including a moratorium on service disconnections, during the COVID-19 emergency; and

**WHEREAS** more than 100 public and private water systems have voluntarily agreed to halt disconnections as well; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with the various statutes and regulations concerning water shutoffs specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and the statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8570, 8571, and 8627, do hereby issue the following order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

- 1) The authority of urban and community water systems, as defined in Health and Safety Code section 116902, subdivision (d), to discontinue residential service, as defined in Health and Safety Code section 116902, subdivision (c), for non-payment under Health and Safety Code sections 116908 and 116910, is suspended.
- 2) Water systems not subject to the requirements of Health and Safety Code sections 116908 and 116910 shall not discontinue residential

service, as defined in Health and Safety Code section 116902, subdivision (c), for non-payment.

- 3) Water systems shall restore any residential service to occupied residences that has been discontinued for nonpayment since March 4, 2020.
- 4) Water systems shall not discontinue service to any business in the critical infrastructure sectors designated by the State Public Health Officer as critical to protect the health and well-being of all Californians that qualifies as a small business under 13 C.F.R. § 121.201 of the Small Business Administration's regulations.
- 5) The State Water Resources Control Board shall identify best practices, guidelines, or both to be implemented during the COVID-19 emergency (i) to address non-payment or reduced payments, (ii) to promote and to ensure continuity of service by water systems and wastewater systems, and (iii) to provide measures such as the sharing of supplies, equipment and staffing to relieve water systems under financial distress.

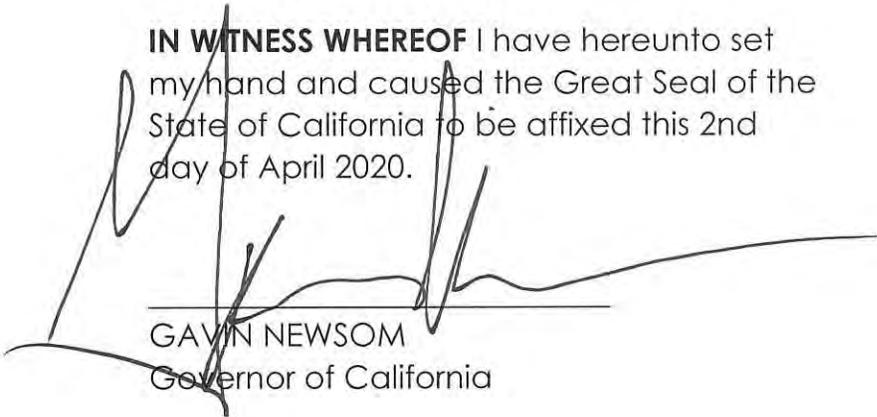
Nothing in this Order eliminates the obligation of water customers to pay for water service, prevents a water system from charging a customer for such service, or reduces the amount a customer already may owe to a water system.

Nothing in this Order modifies the obligations of urban and community waters systems to comply with provisions of the Water Shutoff Protection Act not specifically addressed by this Order or other applicable laws, regulations, and guidelines.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 2nd day of April 2020.

  
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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-43-20

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** on March 30, 2020, I issued Executive Order N-39-20 to pave the way for a temporary expansion of the health care workforce ahead of an anticipated surge in the need for medical treatment, and related strain on the health care delivery system, caused by COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** clinics, hospitals, and other health care facilities and health care providers must maximize the number of capable health care workers through the use of telehealth services to ensure that Californians impacted by COVID-19 are able to access medical treatment as necessary; and

**WHEREAS** it is imperative to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and protect health care workers, including through the use of telehealth services, where possible, for any reason (not limited to the diagnosis and treatment of COVID-19 or related conditions); and

**WHEREAS** health care facilities housing vulnerable populations, such as nursing homes and psychiatric facilities, require special measures to protect those populations from COVID-19 and ensure continuity of care; and

**WHEREAS** on March 17, 2020, the Office for Civil Rights in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services issued guidance ("Notification of Enforcement Discretion for Telehealth Remote Communications During the COVID-19 Nationwide Public Health Emergency," available at <https://www.hhs.gov/hipaa/for-professionals/special-topics/emergency-preparedness/notification-enforcement-discretion-telehealth/index.html>) announcing that the Office, in the exercise of its enforcement discretion, will not impose penalties for noncompliance with regulatory requirements imposed under the HIPAA Rules, as to covered health care providers in connection with the good faith provision of telehealth during the COVID-19 nationwide public health emergency; and

**WHEREAS** even in an emergency situation, covered entities must continue to implement reasonable safeguards to protect patient information against intentional or unintentional impermissible uses and disclosures. Further, covered entities and their business associates must apply the administrative, physical, and technical safeguards of the HIPAA Security Rule to electronic protected health information; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes, regulations, and certain local ordinances specified or referenced herein would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and the statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567 and 8571, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

- 1) The requirements specified in Business and Professions Code section 2290.5(b), related to the responsibility of a health care provider to obtain verbal or written consent before the use of telehealth services and to document that consent, as well as any implementing regulations, are suspended.
- 2) The penalties specified in Civil Code section 56.35, as well as any cause of action arising out of section 56.35 (including, but not limited to, any cause of action arising out of the Unfair Competition Law that is predicated on section 56.35) are suspended as applied to inadvertent, unauthorized access or disclosure of health information during the good faith provision of telehealth services.
- 3) The administrative fines, civil penalties, and private right of action specified in Civil Code section 56.36, as well as any other cause of action arising out of section 56.36 (including, but not limited to, any cause of action arising out of the Unfair Competition Law that is predicated on section 56.36, as well as the authority to bring a civil action set forth in subdivision (f) of section 56.36) are suspended as applied to inadvertent, unauthorized access or disclosure of health information during the good faith provision of telehealth services.
- 4) The civil penalties for health care facilities and providers specified in Civil Code sections 1798.29 and 1798.82, related to the timely notification to patients of a breach of the security system, are suspended as applied to any breach resulting from inadvertent, unauthorized access or disclosure during the good faith provision of telehealth services. Any cause of action arising out of section 1798.29 or section 1798.82 (including, but not limited to, any cause of action arising out of the Unfair Competition Law that is predicated on section 1798.29 or section 1798.82) is likewise suspended as applied to inadvertent, unauthorized access or disclosure that occurs during the good faith provision of telehealth services.
- 5) The deadlines specified in Health and Safety Code section 1280.15, related to notification to the Department of Public Health and to patients of the unauthorized access or disclosure of health information, are extended from a period of 15 days to a period of 60 days when the unauthorized access or disclosure is related to the good faith provision of telehealth services. The administrative penalties specified in Health and Safety Code section 1280.15, related to unauthorized access or disclosure of health information, are suspended when the unauthorized access or disclosure occurs during the good faith provision of telehealth services as a result of the use of technology that does not fully comply with federal or state law. Any cause of action arising out of section 1280.15 (including, but not limited to, any cause of action

arising out of the Unfair Competition Law that is predicated on section 1280.15) is likewise suspended as applied to unauthorized access or disclosure that occurs during the good faith provision of telehealth services as a result of the use of technology that does not fully comply with federal or state law.

- 6) The administrative penalties for health care providers specified in Health and Safety Code section 1280.17, related to safeguards of health information, are suspended for health care providers as applied to any inadvertent, unauthorized access or disclosure of health information during the good faith provision of telehealth services as a result of the use of technology that does not fully comply with federal or state law. Any cause of action arising out of section 1280.17 (including, but not limited to, any cause of action arising out of the Unfair Competition Law that is predicated on section 1280.17) is likewise suspended as applied to inadvertent, unauthorized access or disclosure that occurs during the good faith provision of telehealth services as a result of the use of technology that does not fully comply with federal or state law.
- 7) The criminal penalties specified in Welfare and Institutions Code section 14100.2(h), related to persons who knowingly release or possess information about Medi-Cal beneficiaries, are suspended as applied to health care providers, health care facilities, and health care administrators for any inadvertent, unauthorized release of confidential information during the good faith provision of telehealth services. Any cause of action arising out of section 14100.2 (including, but not limited to, any cause of action arising out of the Unfair Competition Law that is predicated on section 14100.2) is likewise suspended as applied to health care providers, health care facilities, and health care administrators for any inadvertent, unauthorized release of confidential information during the good faith provision of telehealth services.
- 8) To the extent any provision of this Order suspends any penalty or other enforcement mechanism associated with the violation of any statute where such violation arises out of the good faith provision of telehealth services, such violation shall not constitute unprofessional conduct within the meaning of Article 10.5 of the Business and Professions Code or any other applicable law, or otherwise be cause for professional discipline.
- 9) Where the provision of telehealth services is conducted by a "covered health care provider" subject to the HIPAA Rules and described in the "Notification of Enforcement Discretion for Telehealth Remote Communications During the COVID-19 Nationwide Public Health Emergency" ("Notification") issued by the Office for Civil Rights in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services on March 17, 2020, that covered health care provider shall ensure that its delivery of telehealth services is consistent with that Notification. This paragraph does not impose any mandatory requirements beyond any mandatory requirements imposed by the Notification itself, except that where the Notification encourages particular measures to safeguard patient privacy, but does not require such measures, covered health care

providers shall give due consideration to such measures and shall endeavor to adopt them to the extent possible.

10) For purposes of this Order, "telehealth services" includes the use of telehealth services to engage in the provision of behavioral or mental health services, in addition to the use of telehealth services to engage in the provision of medical, surgical, or other health care services. This paragraph should be construed to ensure that the provisions of this Order apply to the provision of behavioral or mental health services the same extent that those paragraphs apply to other forms of health care.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 3rd day of April 2020.



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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-44-20

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** despite sustained efforts, COVID-19 continues to spread and is impacting nearly all sectors of California; and

**WHEREAS** it is vital that California's health care workers, first responders, and others engaged in the fight against COVID-19 be able to obtain the medical and emergency supplies they need, and that all Californians be able to obtain food and consumer goods; and

**WHEREAS** the State is prepared to take strong action against price gouging, profiteering, and other unscrupulous business practices that threaten these vital interests; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8571, 8627, and 8665, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

- 1) The time limitation set forth in Penal Code section 396, subdivision (b), prohibiting price gouging in time of emergency, is hereby waived. All prohibitions against price gouging set forth in subdivision (b) shall be in effect through September 4, 2020.
- 2) In addition to the prohibitions set forth in Penal Code section 396, a person or other entity (including, but not limited to, any business enterprise of any kind) shall not—from April 4, 2020 until September 4, 2020, and except as set forth below—sell or offer to sell any item from among the following categories of goods for a price that is more than 10 percent greater than the highest price charged by that person or entity for that item on February 4, 2020:
  - Food items;
  - Consumer goods;
  - Medical or emergency supplies; and
  - Any other materials previously designated by the U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services as Scarce Materials or Threatened

Materials pursuant to section 102 of the Defense Production Act, 50 U.S.C. § 4512.

A price increase greater than the 10 percent increase specified above shall not be unlawful if the seller can prove either of the following:

- a) The increase was directly attributable to additional costs imposed on the seller by suppliers of the item, and the price is no more than 10 percent greater than the total of the cost to the seller plus the markup customarily applied by the seller for that item in the usual course of business on February 4, 2020; or
- b) The seller was offering the relevant item for sale at a reduced price on February 4, 2020, and the increased price is not more than 10 percent greater than the price at which the seller ordinarily sold the item.

Additionally, and notwithstanding the foregoing, it shall not be a violation of this Paragraph 2 to sell or offer to sell any medical or emergency supplies to the State (including, but not limited to, any agency, department, board, commission, or office of the State), or to any political subdivision of the State, on terms acceptable to the State or to the relevant political subdivision of the State, as determined by the Governor's Office of Emergency Services (as to sales or offers of sale to the State) or by the officer or entity within the political subdivision that is responsible for procuring such supplies (as to sales or offers of sale to that subdivision).

- 3) If a person or other entity (including, but not limited to, any business enterprise of any kind) did not offer an item for sale on February 4, 2020, and that item is among the categories of goods listed in Paragraph 2, that person or entity shall not—from April 4, 2020 until September 4, 2020, and except as set forth below—sell or offer to sell that item for an unconscionably excessive price.

For purposes of this Paragraph 3, a price is unconscionably excessive if that price is more than 50 percent greater than whichever of the following applies:

- a) The amount that the person or entity paid for the item; or
- b) If the person or entity did not purchase the item, the total cost, to the person or entity, of producing and selling the item.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, it shall not be a violation of this Paragraph 3 to sell or offer to sell any medical or emergency supplies to the State (including, but not limited to, any agency, department, board, commission, or office of the State), or to any political subdivision of the State, on any terms acceptable to the State or to the relevant political subdivision of the State, as determined by the Governor's Office of Emergency Services (as to sales or offers of sale to the State) or by the officer or entity within the political subdivision that is responsible for procuring such supplies (as to sales or offers of sale to

that subdivision).

- 4) Each instance in which an item is sold or offered for sale in a manner prohibited by Paragraph 2 or Paragraph 3 shall constitute a separate violation of this Order. Each violation of this Order shall be a misdemeanor punishable as set forth in Government Code section 8665. Each such violation shall also be redressable in the same manner as any other unlawful business practice under the Unfair Competition Law, Business and Professions Code section 17200 et seq., and as otherwise provided by the laws of the State. These remedies are cumulative.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 3rd day of April 2020.



GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

**Executive Order N-45-20**

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** on March 17, 2020, I signed SB 117 (Chapter 3, Statutes of 2020), which ensures continuity of funding for state-subsidized child care providers impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and authorizes the State Superintendent of Public Instruction to develop informal directives and bulletins to address contractual, attendance, and reporting requirements applicable to these providers for the 2019-20 fiscal year; and

**WHEREAS** child care is essential for working families, and in particular, for low-income and other parents who are considered essential critical infrastructure workers during this emergency, including health care workers; emergency response personnel; key governmental staff; law enforcement; food and agriculture workers, including grocery workers; and education and care providers; and

**WHEREAS** the COVID-19 emergency has created an increased need for child care for families who may not have previously needed child care, or who may now require additional hours of child care; and

**WHEREAS** the federal government has provided additional flexibility to the states for the use of funding provided by the Child Care and Development Fund; and

**WHEREAS** there is a temporary need for administrative flexibility for child care programs, to reduce barriers to care while ensuring the health and well-being of children, families, and providers; and

**WHEREAS** the federal government has provided flexibility to the data-sharing allowances for State educational agencies and school food authorities administering school lunch programs under the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to release information necessary to administer the Pandemic Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP); and

**WHEREAS** the COVID-19 pandemic and related physical distancing requirements have impacted governmental agencies' ability to adhere to certain statutory deadlines; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567 and 8571, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

1. In order to facilitate the continued provision of child care during the COVID-19 outbreak, any provision in Articles 1 through 11, 12, 15.5 through 18, 20, and 21 of Chapter 2 of Part 6 of Division 1 of the Education Code and implementing regulations in Chapter 19 and 19.5 of Division 1 of Title 5, California Code of Regulations, that restricts a child care and development program impacted by COVID-19 from serving children of essential critical infrastructure workers, defined consistent with Executive Order N-33-20 and as described in the document posted at <https://covid19.ca.gov/img/EssentialCriticalInfrastructureWorkers.pdf>, is suspended for a period of 60 days, provided that services are provided consistent with an informal directive or bulletin issued by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction pursuant to SB 117 (Chapter 3, Statutes of 2020) and that costs associated with all services provided pursuant to the informal directive or bulletin are within the budget authority of the California Department of Education.
2. In order to ensure that essential critical infrastructure workers can obtain necessary child care to continue working to assist the State's response to COVID-19, the eligibility requirements in Education Code section 8263(a) and any accompanying regulations and the enrollment priorities in Education Code section 8263(b)(2) and (3) are waived with respect to non-CalWORKS early learning and care services provided to children of essential critical infrastructure workers, defined consistent with Executive Order N-33-20 and as described in the document posted at <https://covid19.ca.gov/img/EssentialCriticalInfrastructureWorkers.pdf>.
3. The California Department of Education and the California Department of Social Services shall, by April 7, 2020, jointly develop and issue guidance on prioritizing enrollment for children of essential critical infrastructure workers, as authorized by Paragraph 2. This guidance shall include, but need not be limited to, provisions intended to ensure that neglected or abused children who are recipients of child protective services, or children who are at risk of being neglected or abused, retain first priority for services as specified in Education Code section 8263(b)(1).
4. The California Department of Education and the California Department of Social Services shall, by April 7, 2020, jointly develop and issue guidance on group size, physical distancing, food safety, and other healthy practices in child care settings that reflects the best practices contained in current guidance from federal, state, and local public health officials related to COVID-19.

5. The requirements in Education Code section 8273 and any accompanying regulations or other written policies or procedures related to assessment of fees for families using preschool and child care and development services pursuant to Chapter 2 of Part 6 of Division 1 of the Education Code are suspended for a period of 60 days.
6. Any provision in Article 22.5 of Chapter 2 of Part 6 of Division 1 of the Education Code and any accompanying regulations related to the After School Education and Safety Program that restricts a program funded pursuant to that Article from operating during the hours that school is ordinarily in session while a school is closed to address COVID-19 or from serving school-age children of essential critical infrastructure workers, defined consistent with Executive Order N-33-20 and as described in the document posted at <https://covid19.ca.gov/img/EssentialCriticalInfrastructureWorkers.pdf>, is suspended for a period of 60 days. The California Department of Education may waive any of the reporting, auditing, or other requirements specified in Education Code section 8482.3(f) for the period covered by this suspension.
7. To the extent that any provision in Article 22.6 of Chapter 2 of Part 6 of Division 1 of the Education Code and any accompanying regulations related to 21st Century Community Learning Centers grant includes requirements beyond the requirements imposed by federal statutes or regulations, those requirements are suspended for a period of 60 days.
8. The calculations applicable to calendar year 2019 required by Education Code sections 8483.7(a)(1)(C) and 8483.7(a)(1)(D) for recipients of the After School Education and Safety grant are suspended.
9. The calculations applicable to calendar year 2019 required by Education Code section 8426(d)(2) and (3) for recipients of the 21st Century High School After School and Enrichment for Teens (ASSETS) are suspended, to the extent such suspension is consistent with applicable federal statutes and regulations (including, but not limited to, any applicable federal statutes or regulations with which compliance is required as a condition for the receipt of federal funds).
10. In order to allow California to take advantage of flexibility provided under Public Law 116-127 to provide Pandemic SNAP benefits to children, Education Code sections 49076, 49558 and 49557.3 and any accompanying regulations are waived for the limited purpose of authorizing the sharing of data between the California Department of Social Services and the California Department of Education to identify students who may be eligible for the Pandemic SNAP benefit.
11. The California Department of Social Services may, for the next 60 days and in consultation with the California Department of Education, waive any of the licensing, contractual, and payment requirements specified in Education Code section 8351 and any accompanying regulations, or other written policies or procedures related to CalWORKs Stage One Child Care; in Welfare and Institutions Code

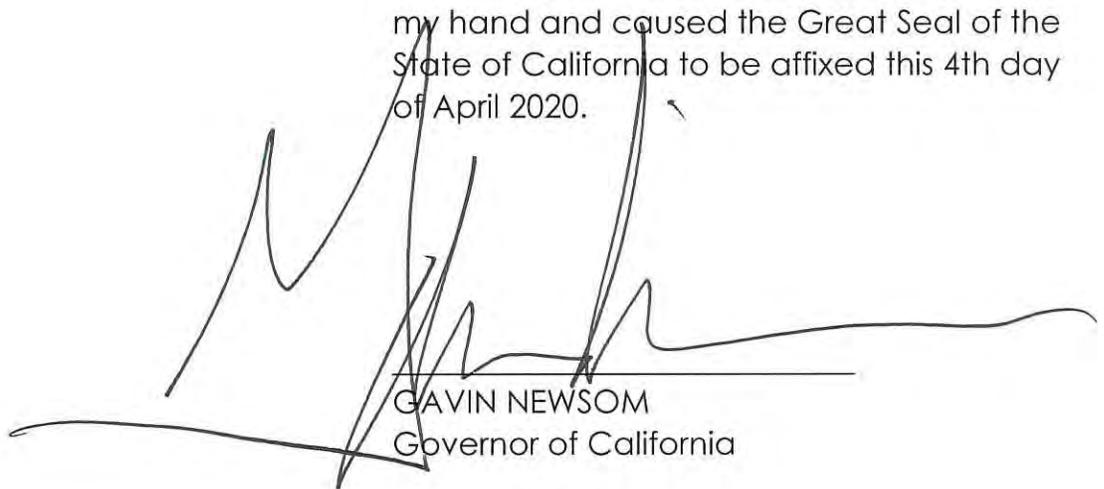
section 11461.6 and any accompanying regulations, or other written policies or procedures related to the Emergency Child Care Bridge for Foster Children; and in Chapter 3.35 of Division 2 of the Health and Safety Code and any accompanying regulations, or other written policies or procedures related to Child Care Provider Registration.

12. The deadline specified in Water Code section 85200(d) for an appointing authority to fill a vacancy on the Delta Stewardship Council is extended for a period of 60 days.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 4th day of April 2020.



A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to be "Gavin Newsom". The signature is written over a horizontal line that serves as a separator between the signature and the printed name below it.

GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-46-20

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** stopping the spread of COVID-19 requires the availability and use of masks, personal protective equipment, and other critical materials that protect public health; and

**WHEREAS** there is a global shortage of such materials, including masks and other personal protective equipment, requiring that the State take immediate action to procure such materials and equipment to protect our healthcare providers and residents; and

**WHEREAS** under current market conditions California must have flexibility in order to negotiate the procurement of needed equipment and materials; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8570, 8571, and 8627, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

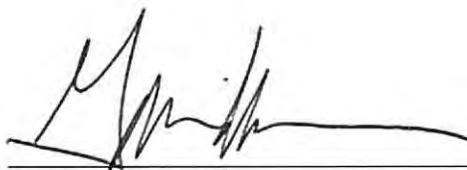
- 1) Revenue and Taxation Code section 6369(b)(2) shall be suspended as applied to masks, gloves, eye protection, gowns and other critical materials that protect public health (as may be designated by the Governor's Office of Emergency Services, in consultation with the California Health and Human Services Agency) sold to or purchased by the State, such materials sold to or purchased by the State shall be deemed to be intended for use in the prevention of disease under Revenue and Taxation Code section 6369(b), and gross receipts from the sales to or purchases by the State of such materials shall be exempt from sales and use taxes under Revenue and Taxation Code section 6369(a)(5).
- 2) California Code of Regulations, Title 18, section 1591(c)(2) shall be suspended as applied to masks, gloves, eye protection, gowns and other critical materials that protect public health (as may be designated by the Governor's Office of Emergency Services, in consultation with the California Health and Human Services Agency) sold to or purchased by the State, and such materials sold to or purchased by the State shall be deemed intended for use in the

prevention of disease under California Code of Regulations, Title 18,  
section 1591(a)(9)(B).

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be  
filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and  
notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits,  
substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of  
California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other  
person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set  
my hand and caused the Great Seal of the  
State of California to be affixed this 7th day  
of April 2020.



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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**Executive Order N-47-20**

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** public health requirements regarding physical distancing and service disruptions may prevent In-Home Supportive Services program case workers and providers from performing necessary functions or meeting program requirements; and

**WHEREAS** child care is essential for working families, and in particular, for low-income and other parents who are considered essential critical infrastructure workers during this emergency, including health care workers; emergency response personnel; key governmental staff; law enforcement; food and agriculture workers, including grocery workers; and education and care providers; and

**WHEREAS** the COVID-19 emergency has created an increased need for child care for families who may not have previously needed child care, or who may now require additional hours of child care, and an increased need for child care for children at risk of abuse and neglect; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567 and 8571, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

1. To facilitate the continued provision of services due to the COVID-19 outbreak, the Department of Social Services may, to the extent necessary and for a period not to exceed 60 days, waive any of the required activities and other requirements of Article 7 of Chapter 3 of Part 3 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, Welfare and Institutions Code sections 14132.95, 14132.952, and 14132.956, and any accompanying regulations and written policies and procedures related to the In-Home Supportive Services program.
2. Paragraph 2 of Executive Order N-45-20 (April 4, 2020) is withdrawn and superseded by the following text.

The eligibility requirements in Education Code section 8263(a); the enrollment priorities in Education Code section 8263(b)(2) and (3) other than prioritizing income-eligible families over families that are not income eligible; and any accompanying regulations are waived with respect to non-CalWORKS early learning and care services provided to children of essential critical infrastructure workers, defined consistent with Executive

Order N-33-20 and as described in the document posted at <https://covid19.ca.gov/img/EssentialCriticalInfrastructureWorkers.pdf>, and children with disabilities or special health care needs whose individualized education programs and individual family support plans include early childhood education services. Additionally, the requirement in Education Code section 8263(b)(1) and any accompanying regulations for a written referral from a legal, medical, or social services agency for children at risk of abuse or neglect to have priority for services is waived. Nothing in this Order shall limit the ability of children already enrolled in these services to continue receiving those services.

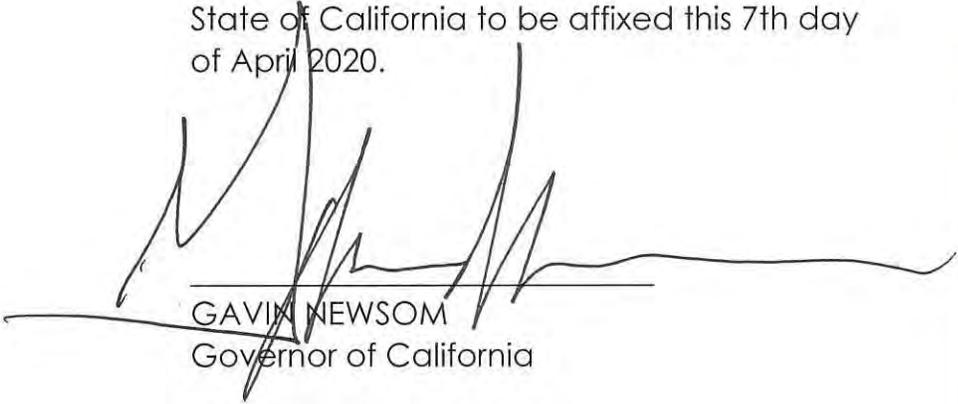
3. Paragraph 3 of Executive Order N-45-20 (April 4, 2020) is withdrawn and superseded by the following text.

The California Department of Education and the California Department of Social Services shall, by April 8, 2020, jointly develop and issue guidance on prioritizing enrollment for children of essential critical infrastructure workers and children with disabilities or special health care needs whose individualized education programs and individual family support plans include early childhood education services, as authorized by Paragraph 2. This guidance shall include, but need not be limited to, provisions intended to ensure that neglected or abused children who are recipients of child protective services, or children who are at risk of being neglected or abused, retain first priority for services as specified in Education Code section 8263(b)(1).

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 7th day of April 2020.



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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**EXECUTIVE ORDER N-48-20**

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** on March 19, 2020, I issued Executive Order N-33-20, directing all Californians to heed State Public Health Officer directives requiring them to stay home except for essential needs; and

**WHEREAS** local governments throughout the State have also proclaimed local emergencies, imposed stay-at-home orders and other forms of physical distancing, and taken other significant steps in response to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** on May 19, 2020, a Special Recall Election will be held in the City of Santa Ana, in the County of Orange; and

**WHEREAS** on June 2, 2020, a Special Municipal Election will be held in the City of Commerce, in the County of Los Angeles; and

**WHEREAS** on June 2, 2020, a Special Recall Election will be held in the El Rancho Unified School District, in the County of Los Angeles; and

**WHEREAS** state law would ordinarily require that these elections be conducted using in-person voting at polling locations throughout the jurisdiction; and

**WHEREAS** the generalized use of in-person voting presents risks to public health and safety in light of the COVID-19 pandemic, and risks undermining physical distancing measures imposed by the State Public Health Officer, as well as other aspects of the response to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** our elections must be accessible, secure, and safe; and

**WHEREAS** California's existing vote-by-mail procedures can be used to allow these elections to go forward in a manner that is accessible, secure, and safe; and

**WHEREAS** various political subdivisions of the State have been in the process of changing from an at-large method of election to district-based elections, requiring a series of public hearings, which are intended to be conducted before the expiration of a safe-harbor provision under Elections Code section 10010; and

**WHEREAS** on March 20, 2020, I issued Executive Order N-34-20, which suspended the timeframes for conducting these public hearings; and

**WHEREAS** uncertainty regarding Elections Code section 10010 could nevertheless induce political subdivisions to hold these public hearings in the near future—at a time when public health requires that Californians stay home except for essential needs, and otherwise engage in physical distancing, to minimize the spread of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** holding these hearings in the near future—at a time when public health requires that Californians stay home except for essential needs—would threaten public health and safety, and would force Californians to choose between fully participating in their democratic process and safeguarding their own health and safety, as well as the health and safety of their communities; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8571, and 8627, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

- 1) Notwithstanding Elections Code sections 1500 and 4000–4007 (including, but not limited to, the conditions otherwise imposed on all-mail ballot elections in Elections Code sections 4000 and 4001.5), and any other applicable provision of state law, the following elections shall each be held as an all-mail ballot election:
  - The May 19, 2020, Special Recall Election to be held in the City of Santa Ana;
  - The June 2, 2020, Special Municipal Election to be held in the City of Commerce; and
  - The June 2, 2020, Special Recall Election to be held in the El Rancho Unified School District.

Each of these elections shall be conducted according to the provisions of the Elections Code that govern all-mail ballot elections, including but not limited to Elections Code sections 3000–3026 and 4100. The respective county elections officials responsible for conducting each respective election shall transmit vote-by-mail ballots to all voters eligible to vote in each respective election.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Order, elections officials are also authorized to make in-person voting opportunities available for each of these elections, on or before Election Day, in a manner that is consistent with public health and safety. The purpose of this authorization is to maximize voter opportunities to participate in these elections without jeopardizing public health and safety.

Elections officials shall provide maximum possible notice to voters about how to participate in each of these elections, paying particular attention to the needs of voters at high risk from COVID-19, individuals with disabilities, and other voters with particularized needs.

- 2) To clarify the scope of Paragraph 1 of Executive Order N-34-20, (March 20, 2020), without changing its effective date, that paragraph is modified to read as follows:

The timeframes set forth in Elections Code section 10010, subdivisions (a) and (e), are suspended as to any political subdivision of the State. The purpose of this suspension is to protect public health and safety during the period when the State Public Health Officer and other public health officials have determined that it is necessary to engage in physical distancing to minimize the spread of COVID-19. This suspension shall be in effect until further notice.

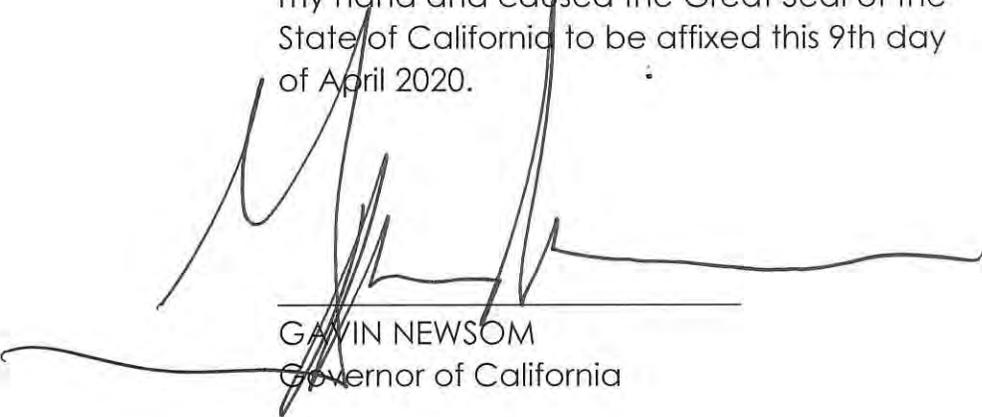
This paragraph pauses the timeframes set forth in Elections Code section 10010, subdivisions (a) and (e), but does not restart them: this paragraph should be construed to toll those timeframes, such that days elapsed during the suspension set forth in this paragraph are not counted, but any days that elapsed prior to that suspension are still counted.

This paragraph shall not preclude a prospective plaintiff obtaining reimbursement from a political subdivision under subdivision (f) of Elections Code section 10010, in the manner set forth in that subdivision.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 9th day of April 2020.



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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-49-20

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the impacts of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** despite sustained efforts, COVID-19 continues to spread and is impacting nearly all sectors of California; and

**WHEREAS** youth who are confined in Division of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) facilities are entitled to timely discharge consideration hearings before the Board of Juvenile Hearings (BJH), and other individuals—including victims, the youth's counsel, law enforcement, county probation, and the youth's parent or guardian—may be entitled to participate in such hearings; and

**WHEREAS** when BJH determines that a youth is ready for discharge, the youth is referred back to the local court in the county of jurisdiction for a re-entry disposition hearing in which the court establishes conditions of supervision by county probation; and

**WHEREAS** as part of the re-entry hearing process, youth are required by statute to be transported to the custody of the county probation department between one and four days prior to the re-entry disposition hearing and are placed in local jails or juvenile halls to await the hearing; and

**WHEREAS** many county facilities are limiting intake and have suspended transfers and visitation to help prevent the introduction of COVID-19 into the facilities; and

**WHEREAS** on March 24, 2020, I issued Executive Order N-36-20, directing DJJ facilities to suspend intake to protect the health, safety, and welfare of youth and staff in those facilities; and

**WHEREAS** on March 28, 2020, the Judicial Council of California directed the superior courts to make use of technology, when possible, to conduct judicial proceedings and court operations remotely, and on April 6, 2020, issued Emergency Rules 3 and 7 of the California Rules of Court governing remote proceedings, including proceedings relating to juvenile delinquency; and

**WHEREAS** certain administrative timelines may delay the prompt release of youth who are otherwise deemed ready to be released from DJJ facilities; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8571, and 8627, do hereby issue the following order to become effective immediately:

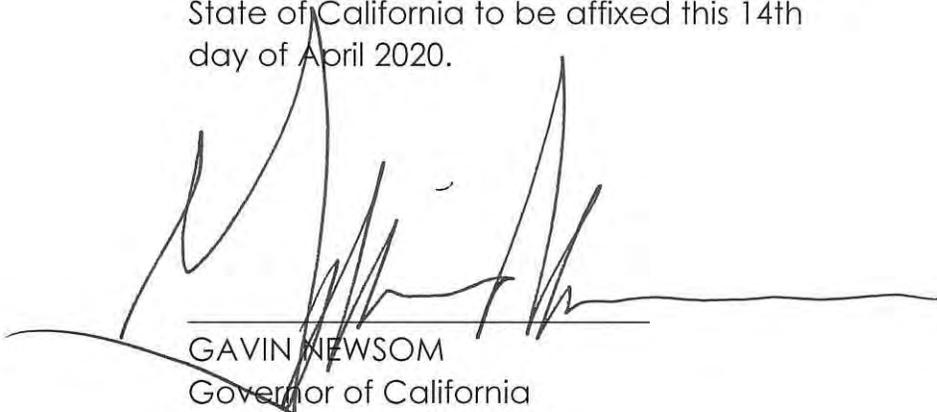
**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

1. The timeline specified in Welfare & Institutions Code section 1766(b)(2) to provide notification of a scheduled discharge consideration hearing to the probation department, the court of the committing county, and the youth's counsel is reduced from 60 days to 30 days prior to the hearing.
2. For discharge consideration hearings and re-entry disposition hearings conducted by teleconference or videoconference conducted in accordance with Emergency Rule 3 of the California Rules of Court, the right of victims or other individuals to appear at such hearings, and the right of the youth to have a parent, guardian, mentor, or other individual present at the hearing (consistent with California Constitution, Article 1, section 28, subdivision (b)(7); Welfare & Institutions Code sections 676.5(a), 1766(b)(3)(A), and 1767(b); Penal Code section 679.02; and any related regulations), is satisfied by the opportunity to appear by the technology being used to conduct the hearing. Such individuals retain any rights they may otherwise have to participate in the hearing by a written or recorded statement.
3. The timeline specified in Welfare & Institutions Code section 1766(b)(5)(A) is shortened. After determining that a youth is ready for discharge to county supervision, the BJH shall, in coordination with county probation and the committing court, set a date of discharge as soon as is practicable, but no later than 14 days after the date of such determination.
4. Re-entry disposition hearings shall be conducted in accordance with the following directives:
  - a. In accordance with this Order and Emergency Rules of the Judicial Council, re-entry disposition hearings should, whenever practicable, be conducted by teleconference or videoconference at a DJJ facility, at which time the youth shall be released immediately into the custody of county probation. In such cases, the requirement to transport and deliver youth to the custody of the probation department and the related timeframe specified in Welfare and Institutions Code section 1766(b)(6) are waived.
  - b. When re-entry disposition hearings cannot be conducted at a DJJ facility, whenever practicable, DJJ shall transport and deliver the youth to the custody of probation on the date of the re-entry disposition hearing. The timeframe specified in Welfare and Institutions Code section 1766(b)(6) is waived.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 14th day of April 2020.



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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-50-20

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** California's businesses and workforce, including members of the workforce who are self-employed, have suffered unprecedented financial impacts due to COVID-19 and the necessary physical distancing measures implemented as a result; and

**WHEREAS** California is committed to ensuring that all California residents timely receive the benefits and support to which they are entitled, including through California's unemployment insurance program, which has been working at full capacity to deliver critical income support to workers who are fully and partially unemployed as a result of the COVID-19 crisis; and

**WHEREAS** Congress has made emergency unemployment benefit programs available through the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), including the new Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) program; and

**WHEREAS** the PUA program provides federally funded benefits distinct from the unemployment insurance program for certain individuals who are out of work or partially unemployed due to the COVID-19 crisis, including the self-employed, individuals who lack sufficient work history, independent contractors, and individuals who have exhausted their unemployment benefits; and

**WHEREAS** many of the individuals eligible for PUA program benefits are in urgent need of financial assistance, and are relying upon the State of California to provide them assistance without delay; and

**WHEREAS** implementation of the PUA program in a manner that will efficiently and effectively provide emergency benefits to all who are eligible, without undue barriers or delays, is critical to maintain public health and safety during this COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS** employer misclassification of workers as independent contractors has been a problem in our state for many years, depriving workers of lawful benefits under our unemployment insurance, wage and hour, paid sick leave, workers' compensation, and worker safety and health laws, and creating unfair competition for law-abiding businesses; and

**WHEREAS** California has been a national leader in the fight against widespread and systematic employer misclassification, with the California Supreme Court unanimously adopting the ABC test in the landmark decision *Dynamex Operations West, Inc. v. Superior Court* (2018) 4 Cal.5th 903, and then by enacting Assembly Bill 5 in 2019 to codify and expand the application of the ABC test; and

**WHEREAS** nothing that California does for purposes of accelerating the delivery of emergency benefits to those in need modifies or in any way diminishes employee protections enacted into law, or has any effect on the determination under the laws of this state of whether an individual should be considered an employee, including any determination of an individual's status under Labor Code section 2750.3; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8571, and 8627, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

1. The Secretary of the Labor and Workforce Development Agency shall take necessary actions to ensure staffing sufficient to process unemployment insurance benefits on a timely basis to ensure eligible individuals receive payments efficiently, including through staffing call centers at least during the hours of 8:00 am through 8:00 pm.
2. The Employment Development Department shall take necessary actions to streamline the application for PUA to ensure that eligible individuals timely receive the assistance made available to them under the federal CARES Act. Nothing in this paragraph is intended to alter any right or status any individual would otherwise enjoy as a matter of state law, except that individuals who receive PUA benefits shall be subject to the limitation on regular unemployment insurance set forth in Paragraph 4.
3. The Employment Development Department shall establish an efficient electronic means of expediting access to the Work Share program for lay-off aversion. For this purpose only, EDD may waive strict compliance with California Code of Regulations, title 22, sections 1279.5-2(a)(16)-(17), 1279.5-3(a), 1279.5-5 and 1279.5-6, and Unemployment Insurance Code section 1279.5(p).
4. The Employment Development Department shall not permit an individual to establish a claim for regular unemployment insurance benefits using the same base period income that was used to qualify for PUA benefits.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 15th day of April 2020.



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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-51-20

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** on March 19, 2020, I issued Executive Order N-33-20, directing all residents statewide to obey all state public health directives, including the State Public Health Officer's order to all individuals living in the state to stay home or at their other place of residence, except as otherwise specified, including as needed to maintain continuity of operations of critical infrastructure sectors during the COVID-19 response; and

**WHEREAS** hard-working Californians who help grow and harvest the food in California's farms and fields, work in our food facilities, and deliver food from our food facilities are among the essential critical infrastructure workers serving on the front lines of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS** the food supply sector and the reliability of our food supply are fundamental to the health of all Californians and are only possible during the COVID-19 pandemic because workers in this sector – farm workers, grocery workers, and food delivery workers, among others – continue to work in difficult situations; and

**WHEREAS** workers who are sick are more likely to go to work if they do not have paid leave, thereby increasing health and safety risks for their fellow workers and other members of the public with whom they, or the products of their work, come into contact; and

**WHEREAS** providing paid sick leave related to COVID-19 to food sector workers will reduce the spread of COVID-19 and otherwise mitigate the effects of COVID-19 among these workers, thereby promoting public health and safety; and

**WHEREAS** effective April 1, 2020, the federal Families First Coronavirus Response Act ("FFCRA") requires employers of fewer than 500 employees to provide emergency paid sick leave benefits to employees who may not be able to work because of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** notwithstanding the FFCRA, many food sector workers continue to lack access to paid sick leave; and

**WHEREAS** expanding the handwashing requirements under California's Retail Food Code to instruct food facilities to permit their workers to wash their hands on a regular and as-needed basis serves to mitigate and prevent the spread of COVID-19.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8571, and 8627, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

1. A Food Sector Worker, as defined in paragraph 2 below, shall be entitled to supplemental paid sick leave related to COVID-19 ("COVID-19 Supplemental Paid Sick Leave") as follows:
  - a. Except as set forth in paragraph 3 below, a Hiring Entity (as defined in paragraph 3 below) shall provide COVID-19 Supplemental Paid Sick Leave to each Food Sector Worker (as defined in paragraph 2 below) who performs work for or through the Hiring Entity if that Food Sector Worker is unable to work due to any of the reasons below:
    - i. The Food Sector Worker is subject to a Federal, State, or local quarantine or isolation order related to COVID-19;
    - ii. The Food Sector Worker is advised by a health care provider to self-quarantine or self-isolate due to concerns related to COVID-19; or
    - iii. The Food Sector Worker is prohibited from working by the Food Sector Worker's Hiring Entity due to health concerns related to the potential transmission of COVID-19.
  - b. A Food Sector Worker shall be entitled to the following number of hours of COVID-19 Supplemental Paid Sick Leave:
    - i. A Food Sector Worker is entitled to 80 hours of COVID-19 Supplemental Paid Sick Leave if the Food Sector Worker satisfies either of the following criteria:
      1. The Hiring Entity considers the Food Sector Worker to work "full-time"; or
      2. The Food Sector Worker worked or was scheduled to work, on average, at least 40 hours per week for the Hiring Entity in the two weeks preceding the date the Food Sector Worker took COVID-19 Supplemental Paid Sick leave.
    - ii. A Food Sector Worker who does not satisfy any of the criteria in subparagraph (i) above is entitled to an amount of COVID-19 Supplemental Paid Sick Leave as follows:
      1. If the Food Sector Worker has a normal weekly schedule, the total number of hours the Food Sector Worker is normally scheduled to work for or through a Hiring Entity over two weeks; or



Leave, or in lieu of COVID-19 Supplemental Paid Sick Leave.

2. For purposes of this Executive Order, a Food Sector Worker is any person who satisfies all of the criteria set forth in subparagraphs (a) through (d) of this paragraph 2, as follows:
  - a. The person satisfies any of the following criteria:
    - i. The person works in one of the industries or occupations defined in Industrial Welfare Commission (“IWC”) Wage Order 3-2001 § 2(B); IWC Wage Order 8-2001 § 2(H); IWC Wage Order 13-2001 § 2(H); or IWC Wage Order 14-2001 § 2(D); or
    - ii. The person works for a Hiring Entity (as defined in paragraph 3 below) that operates a food facility, as defined in Health and Safety Code section 113789(a)-(b); or
    - iii. The person delivers food from a food facility, as defined in Health and Safety Code section 113789(a)-(b), for or through a Hiring Entity.
  - b. The person is exempt, as an Essential Critical Infrastructure Worker, from the requirements imposed by Executive Order N-33-20 or any other statewide stay-at-home order; and
  - c. The person leaves the person's home or other place of residence to perform work for or through the person's Hiring Entity, as defined in paragraph 3 below.
3. For purposes of this Executive Order, Hiring Entity means a private sole proprietorship or any kind of private entity whatsoever—including, but not limited to, any kind of corporation, partnership, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or any other kind of business enterprise, and specifically including any Delivery Network Company (as defined in Revenue and Taxation Code section 6041.5(b)) and any Transportation Network Company (as defined in Public Utilities Code section 5431(c))—that has 500 or more employees in the United States. For purposes of this paragraph 2, Code of Federal Regulations, Title 29, section 826.40(a)(1)-(2) shall be used to determine the number of employees that the Hiring Entity employs.
4. Notwithstanding paragraph 1 of this Executive Order, a Hiring Entity shall not be required to provide a Food Sector Worker with COVID-19 Supplemental Paid Sick Leave if the Hiring Entity provides the relevant Food Sector Worker, as of the effective date of this Executive Order, with a supplemental benefit, such as paid leave, that is payable for the reasons listed in paragraph 1(a) above and that would compensate the Food Sector Worker in an amount equal to or greater than the amount the Food Sector Worker would be compensated through taking COVID-19 Supplemental Paid Sick Leave to which the Food Sector Worker would otherwise be entitled under this Order.

5. In addition to such other remedies as may be provided by the laws of this State or its subdivisions (including, but not limited to, the remedies available to redress any unlawful business practice under the Unfair Competition Law, Business and Professions Code sections 17200 *et seq.*), the Labor Commissioner shall enforce the provision of COVID-19 Supplemental Paid Sick Leave. For purposes of such enforcement and to implement COVID-19 Supplemental Paid Sick Leave:
  - a. The Labor Commissioner shall enforce the provision of COVID-19 Supplemental Paid Sick Leave as if such leave constitutes "paid sick days" under Labor Code sections 246(n), 246.5(b)-(c), 247, 247.5, and 248.5.
  - b. A Food Sector Worker may file a complaint with the Labor Commissioner pursuant to Labor Code section 98 or 98.7.
  - c. The principles in Labor Code section 249 apply to COVID-19 Supplemental Paid Sick Leave.
  - d. By April 23, 2020, the Labor Commissioner shall make publicly available a model notice for purposes of Labor Code section 247. For purposes of COVID-19 Supplemental Paid Sick Leave only, if a Hiring Entity's Food Sector Workers do not frequent a workplace, the Hiring Entity may satisfy the notice requirement of Labor Code section 247(a) by disseminating notice through electronic means, such as by electronic mail.

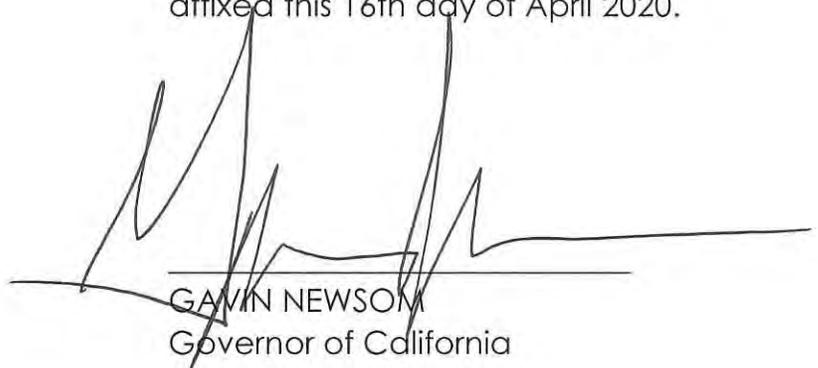
For purposes of the Labor Code sections cited in subparagraphs (a) through (c), in construing this Executive Order, all Food Sector Workers shall be considered "employees," any Hiring Entity shall be considered an "employer," and this Executive Order shall be considered part of the "article" in which those Labor Code sections are codified.

6. The requirement to provide COVID-19 Supplemental Paid Sick Leave as set forth in this Executive Order shall be effective during the pendency of any statewide stay-at-home orders issued by the State Public Health Officer, except that a Food Sector Worker taking COVID-19 Supplemental Paid Sick Leave at the time of the expiration of all such orders shall be permitted to take the full amount of COVID-19 Supplemental Paid Sick Leave to which that Food Sector Worker otherwise would have been entitled under this Order.
7. In addition to the other requirements of this Executive Order, and consistent with Health and Safety Code section 113952, employees working in any food facility, as defined by Health and Safety Code section 113789, shall be permitted to wash their hands every 30 minutes and additionally as needed. This paragraph shall be enforced pursuant to applicable provisions of the Retail Food Code.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 16th day of April 2020.



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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-52-20

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** despite sustained efforts, COVID-19 continues to spread and is impacting nearly all sectors of California; and

**WHEREAS** the COVID-19 pandemic and the necessary physical distancing measures implemented have affected governmental agencies, workers, private businesses, and California residents alike, with associated impacts on adherence to certain statutory and regulatory deadlines; and

**WHEREAS** a shortage of fingerprinting services has arisen in California despite those services being included among the essential critical infrastructure sectors identified pursuant to Executive Order N-33-20, and this shortage is impacting other essential critical infrastructure sectors, including the healthcare sector and other programs that provide care and support to vulnerable Californians; and

**WHEREAS** to prevent potential impairment of delivery of critical healthcare services and of care and support for vulnerable populations, the California Department of Justice, working in concert with the California Health and Human Services Agency and other agencies and departments, is developing procedures to perform name-based criminal background checks, consistent with Penal Code sections 11105.7 and 11105.75, and subject to certain conditions, including a requirement that each applicant's identity and criminal history be verified by fingerprints as soon as practicable after an initial check based on other identifying information has been performed; and

**WHEREAS** individuals who are tested for COVID-19 should have access to test results, and important information on test interpretation, isolation, and care guidance, in an expeditious and deliberate manner; and

**WHEREAS** illness due to COVID-19 and physical distancing requirements imposed to limit spread of the virus impede the ability of the California Coastal Commission, the State Water Resources Control Board, members of the public, and others to meet certain time limits set forth in the Permit Streamlining Act and the Public Resources Code; and

**WHEREAS** the COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent school closures has disrupted the lives and educational progress of K-12 students, impacting their ability to meet existing admissions prerequisites for the California State University system; and

**WHEREAS** it is important that the trucking industry have access to food at highway rest areas while maintaining the critical supply chain throughout this state; and

**WHEREAS** federal financial relief provided under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) should be made swiftly available to individuals who would otherwise be entitled to it—including custodial parents and other caregivers entitled to past due support—notwithstanding state law providing that certain federal tax refund offsets should first be applied to support owed to the State; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8571, and 8627, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

- 1) The timeframes set forth in Business and Professions Code, Division 4, Part 1, Chapter 3, Article 2 (Section 10150, et seq.) are hereby extended for a period of 60 days. The deadlines specified in Business and Professions Code, Division 4, Part 1, Chapter 3, Article 4 (Section 10200, et seq.), related to payment of real estate license application, and renewal fees, are hereby extended for a period of 60 days.
- 2) The timeframes set forth in the Business and Professions Code Division 4, Part 1, Chapter 3, Article 2.5 (Section 10170 et seq.), relating to continuing education requirements for real estate licensees, are hereby extended for a period of 60 days.
- 3) The deadlines specified in existing Orders issued by the Real Estate Commissioner pursuant to Business and Professions Code, Division 4, Part 1 are hereby extended for a period of 60 days.
- 4) The June 1, 2020 deadline specified in Education Code section 8434(g), related to the election of a representative for family childcare providers, is extended to August 1, 2020.
- 5) The requirements specified in Harbors and Navigation Code section 1176 and in California Code of Regulations, title 7, sections 217.5 and 217.10 that a pilot be found fit-for-duty as a condition of having his or her license renewed and that a pilot trainee be found fit-for-duty to be allowed to continue in the training program are temporarily waived. The temporary waiver of a fit-for-duty determination applies to pilots whose license expires between April 1, 2020, and July 31, 2020, and to trainees whose anniversary of admission to the training program falls between these same dates. These fit-for-duty requirements must be satisfied by December 31, 2020, unless this Order is further extended.

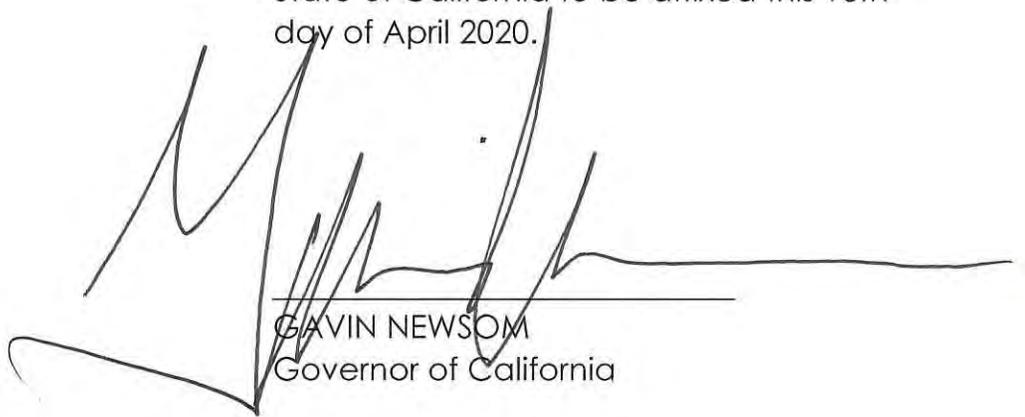
- 6) The training requirements specified in California Code of Regulations, title 7, section 215 relating to continuing education for pilots are temporarily waived for those pilots required to complete training in 2020. These pilots must satisfy these waived training requirements by June 30, 2021, unless this Order is further extended.
- 7) The three-year maximum length of the training program for pilot trainees specified in Harbors and Navigation Code section 1171.5 (c) and California Code of Regulations, title 7, section 214 (c) is extended by one year for trainees who have been unable to train on vessels because of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- 8) The provisions of California Vehicle Code section 2501 requiring all licenses issued to privately owned or operated ambulances used to respond to emergency calls, privately owned armored cars, and fleet owner inspection and maintenance stations that expire one year after the licenses are issued are hereby extended for a period of 60 days from the license expiration date. This extension is applicable to licenses expired on or after March 4, 2020, or will expire within 60 days from the date of this Order.
- 9) For holders of current commercial driver's licenses or certificates, whose required medical certificate has or will expire on or after March 1, 2020, the timeframes set forth in Vehicle Code section 12804.9(c), and accompanying regulations, pertaining to possessing a valid medical certificate in order to maintain a valid commercial driver license or certificate, are waived until June 30, 2020.
- 10) The time limits set forth in the Permit Streamlining Act in Government Code sections 65943, 65950, 65952, and 65956, and in Public Resources Code sections 30512, 30513, 30603, 30606, 30621, 30622, 30625, 30714, and 30812 are suspended, with respect to actions by or matters before the California Coastal Commission or the State Water Resources Control Board, for a period of 60 days. This paragraph pauses the time limits in the referenced sections but does not restart them, and should be construed to toll those timeframes for 60 days, such that no time should be counted for 60 days, but that any days that elapsed prior to this suspension are still counted.
- 11) To the extent any provision of state law might restrict the exercise of the California Department of Justice's authority to conduct criminal background checks pursuant to Penal Code section 11105 based on identifying information other than fingerprints for individuals performing tasks that require licensure pursuant to Division 2 of the Business and Professions Code or providing services or care pursuant to the California Community Care Facilities Act (Chapter 3 of Division 2 of the Health and Safety Code), the California Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly Act (Chapter 3.2 of Division 2 of the Health and Safety Code), the California Child Day Care Facilities Act (Chapter 3.4 of Division 2 of the Health and Safety Code) or In-Home Supportive Services (Article 7 of Chapter 3 of Part 3 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code and Welfare and Institutions Code sections 14132.95, 14132.952, and 14132.956), those provisions are suspended for a period of 60 days.

- 12) To the extent any provision of state law might restrict the exercise of the California Department of Justice's authority to waive or eliminate the applicable fee for a criminal background check conducted pursuant to Paragraph 11, those provisions are suspended for a period of 60 days.
- 13) Health and Safety Code section 123148(b)(1) is suspended to the extent it requires a health care professional to review COVID-19 test results before those test results may be disclosed to a patient via the Internet or other electronic means, on the condition that any such disclosure must be conducted in accordance with an order of the State Public Health Officer or a local public health officer, and with guidance issued by the California Department of Public Health pursuant to this paragraph. The California Department of Public Health shall issue guidance concerning large-scale COVID-19 testing, as well as appropriate test interpretation, isolation, and care measures to be undertaken in conjunction with such testing.
- 14) All requirements in Education Code section 89030.5, which permits a change in the criteria for admission to a California State University campus to become effective only after public hearings have been held and only after a period of at least six months or one year (as applicable) has elapsed after that change is approved by the chancellor, are waived through June 30, 2021.
- 15) The restrictions for commercial activities in safety roadside rest areas specified in Streets and Highways Code sections 225 and 225.5 and Vehicle Code sections 22518, 22520.5 and 22520.6, and accompanying regulations, are suspended for a period of 60 days, to the extent necessary to allow commercially licensed food trucks to operate and sell food in designated safety roadside rest areas in compliance with a temporary permit issued by Caltrans. Caltrans is authorized to develop and implement a process to issue and administer temporary permits allowing commercially licensed food truck vendors that otherwise are in compliance with state and local licensing and permitting requirements to operate and sell food in designated safety roadside rest areas. The development and implementation of this process shall not be subject to the Administrative Procedure Act, Government Code section 11340 et seq.
- 16) Code of Civil Procedure section 695.221(e), concerning credits to the State from certain collections received from federal tax refund offsets when the recipient of such a refund owes past due support, is suspended.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 16th day of April 2020.



A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to be "Gavin Newsom". The signature is written over a horizontal line that serves as a separator between the signature and the printed name below it.

GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-53-20

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the impacts of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** public health requirements regarding physical distancing, as well as service disruptions related to COVID-19, may prevent county child welfare agencies and probation departments from performing necessary functions or meeting program requirements; and

**WHEREAS** there is a critical need to prevent child maltreatment and to support children and nonminor dependents in the foster care system, and to ensure the continuation of adoptions-related work during the response to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** there is an urgent need for families to provide care for and supervision of children and nonminor dependents who have been abused or neglected and who are in out-of-home care; and

**WHEREAS** the existing emergency foster care placement process and Resource Family Approval program require activities and assessments that are currently unavailable or difficult to achieve due to the emergency caused by COVID-19, even as children and nonminor dependents may require higher levels of care or supports; and

**WHEREAS** there is a critical need for alternative methods of contact between county placing agencies and the children and nonminors in their care due to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** COVID-19, and physical distancing measures adopted in response to COVID-19, may make it impossible, impractical, or unwise for the California Department of Social Services' Community Care Licensing Division to perform regular in-person functions related to the out-of-state program and certification of facilities serving California youth; and

**WHEREAS** there is a need for alternatives to face-to-face methods of contact between the State Adoption Regional Office and delegated county agency adoption staff and birth parents, as well as the children and families reliant on proper oversight to ensure their safety; and

**WHEREAS** access to cell phones and the Internet are essential for foster youth to have contact with their caseworkers, as well as access to distance learning, telehealth, contact with their families and other necessary supports and services during COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** certain investigative timelines and due dates cannot be met because of the effects of COVID-19, including court closures related to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** many potential adoptive parents are experiencing financial hardship because of the impacts of COVID-19 and many are, as a result, unable to pay required fees for independent adoption investigations; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this Order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8571, and 8627, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

- 1) To facilitate the continued provision of care and supervision during the COVID-19 pandemic, the Department of Social Services may, to the extent necessary and for a period not to exceed 60 days, temporarily waive, in whole or in part, Resource Family Approval Program standards set forth in the Resource Family Approval Program pursuant to Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Part 4 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code and any accompanying regulations, written directives, or other related policies or procedures, including but not limited to standards regarding annual updates, inactive status, home environment, caregiver training, complaint investigation protocols, and face-to-face interview requirements.
- 2) To facilitate the continued provision of care and supervision during the COVID-19 pandemic, the Department of Social Services may, to the extent necessary to ensure such care and supervision and for a period not to exceed 60 days, waive any requirements in subdivision (d) of Section 309, subdivision (e) of Section 361.2, subdivision (c) of Section 361.4, subdivision (a) of Section 361.45, subdivisions (a) and (e) of Section 727.05, and subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 16504.5 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, and accompanying regulations and written directives or other related policies or procedures related to the emergency placements of children, wards, and nonminor dependents.
- 3) To ensure support for foster care placements during the COVID-19 emergency, the 365-day payment limitation pursuant to subdivision (e) Section 11461.36 of the Welfare and Institutions Code and accompanying rules or regulations are suspended. Payment may be extended for up to an additional 60 days for any case that reaches 365 days of emergency caregiver payments during the COVID-19 emergency.
- 4) In order to serve the needs of children, wards, and nonminor dependents in home-based foster care placements whose care and supervision are directly impacted by COVID-19 and notwithstanding any rate established pursuant to, or limited by, sections 11460, 11461, 11461.3, 11461.36, 11461.4, 11463, and 11464 of the Welfare and Institutions Code and accompanying rules and regulations, the Department of Social Services shall establish temporary payment amounts, based on COVID-19-related criteria established by the Department, not to exceed the rate paid on behalf of an eligible child placed with an intensive services foster care resource family or, for a

child determined to require the level of care provided by a short-term residential therapeutic program, the rate established by the Department for that program. Payment amounts shall be determined in consultation with the Department of Finance and shall be subject to such necessary budgetary action as may otherwise be required by law.

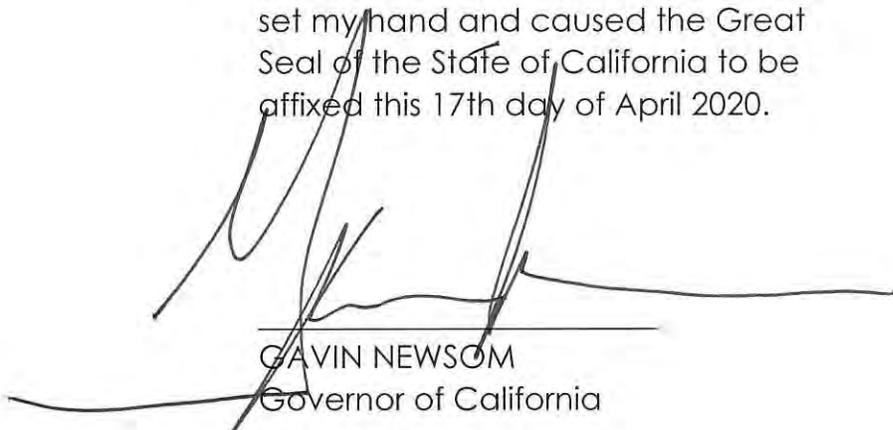
- 5) The Department of Social Services may, to the extent necessary to achieve the purpose of this paragraph, temporarily verify foster care status, as described in Welfare and Institutions Code section 826.8, for dependents or wards of the juvenile court whose cases have not been dismissed, for the limited purpose of facilitating foster youth access to programs providing cellular telephones or other communication technology to foster youth.
- 6) Notwithstanding Welfare and Institutions Code section 827, subdivisions (a)(1), (a)(4), and (a)(5), and for the limited purpose of facilitating current and former dependents' and wards' access to programs providing cellular telephones or other communication technology to foster youth and as otherwise set forth below, the county child welfare agencies, county probation departments, and Title IV-E agreement Tribes may share information, as specified by the Department of Social Services, from a juvenile case file with entities that are not otherwise entitled under section 827 to access such information without a court order, if sharing such information is necessary to establish eligibility for, or access to, the technology.
- 7) State eligibility criteria for payments to nonminor dependents living in or requesting approval of a Supervised Independent Living Placement requiring any physical, in-person, face-to-face application, meetings, inspections, visits, and signature requirements, as required by Welfare and Institutions Code sections 11400 and 11403 and accompanying rules or regulations are suspended.
- 8) State extended foster care eligibility for all youth entering or reentering extended foster care requiring any physical, in-person, face-to-face application, meetings, visits, and signature requirements, as well as the maximum age criteria for nonminor dependents who turn 21 on or after the date of this Order, as required by Welfare and Institutions Code sections 388, 388.1, 11400, and 11403 and accompanying rules or regulations are suspended.
- 9) Redetermination requirements for payments made pursuant to the Kinship Guardianship Assistance Program, as set forth in Article 4.5 (commencing with Section 11360) and Article 4.7 (commencing with Section 11385), as applicable, of Chapter 2 of Part 3 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code and accompanying rules or regulations are suspended.
- 10) Visitation requirements contained in Section 11405 of the Welfare and Institutions Code and accompanying rules or regulations are suspended.
- 11) Physical, in-person, face-to-face meetings, visits, evaluations and/or signatures required by Family Code section 8808 and accompanying rules or regulations are suspended.

- 12) The provisions related to timelines for, and the commencement of, an investigation of a proposed independent adoption and timelines for the corresponding report as required by Family Code section 8807 and accompanying rules or regulations are suspended.
- 13) The physical, in-person certification functions including, but not limited to, face-to-face visits, on-site inspections, evaluations, reviews, certification, and complaint investigations, except for investigations regarding allegations that present a serious risk to the health and safety of persons in care ("Priority 1" investigations), required for out-of-state group homes within the Department of Social Services' jurisdiction as set forth in Family Code Sections 7911.1 and accompanying rules, regulations, or interim licensing standard, are suspended for the duration of the COVID-19 emergency in California or any state with a facility certified by the Department of Social Services.
- 14) Any waivers or suspensions of statutes, any accompanying regulations, written directives, or other related policies or procedures, issued pursuant to this Order shall expire no later than June 30, 2020, unless this Order specifies a shorter duration. Any such waivers shall be posted to the Department's website.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 17th day of April 2020.



GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**EXECUTIVE ORDER N-54-20**

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** despite sustained efforts, COVID-19 continues to spread and is impacting nearly all sectors of California; and

**WHEREAS** the COVID-19 pandemic and the necessary physical distancing measures implemented to combat it have had widespread impacts on state and local governments, California Native American tribes, and on members of the public, making it impossible or impractical to adhere to certain statutory and regulatory deadlines; and

**WHEREAS** due to physical distancing protocols, it may be impossible or impracticable for lead agencies, responsible agencies, and project applicants to adhere to certain public filing and notice requirements under the California Environmental Quality Act; and

**WHEREAS** it is critical to protect the public health and safety and minimize the risk of COVID-19 exposure for workers engaged in essential activities, such as those handling reusable grocery bags or recyclable containers where recycling centers are not available; and

**WHEREAS** contact exposure at retail establishments, beverage dealers, and recycling centers could spread COVID-19, necessitating precautions to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this Order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8571, and 8627, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

- 1) The provisions of Vehicle Code section 34620, subdivisions (a) and (b), and California Code of Regulations, Title 13, sections 220.00, subdivision (i) and 220.04, requiring current Motor Carrier Property Permits, are suspended through June 30, 2020. This suspension is applicable to permits that expired on March, 31, 2020, through June 30, 2020.
- 2) The timeframe set forth in Vehicle Code section 13002, and accompanying regulations, pertaining to the expiration of identification cards, is suspended for a period of 60 days. This

suspension is applicable to identification cards that expired on or after March 4, 2020, or will expire within 60 days from the date of this Order.

- 3) The timeframe set forth in Vehicle Code section 4156, subdivision (b), pertaining to temporary permits, is suspended for a period of 60 days. This suspension is applicable to temporary permits that expired on or after March 4, 2020, or will expire within 60 days from the date of this Order.
- 4) For vehicle registrations that expire between the dates of March 16, 2020, and May 31, 2020, the requirements in Vehicle Code sections 4603, 9552, 9553, and 9554, and any accompanying regulations, pertaining to the timing and imposition of late fees or other penalties that may accrue as a result of a registrant's failure to timely submit an application for renewal of vehicle registration, are waived provided the applicant timely submits an application for renewal accompanied by payment within 60 days following the original date of expiration.
- 5) The provisions of Vehicle Code sections 4000(a)(1) and 5204(a) pertaining to the registration and registration display requirements for vehicles operated upon a highway are hereby suspended until June 30, 2020. This suspension is applicable to registrations expired on or after March 4, 2020 and before June 30, 2020. Additionally, until June 30, 2020, vehicles with registration expiring between September 4, 2019, and January 1, 2020, are exempt from the associated storage authority outlined in Vehicle Code section 22651(o)(1)(a).
- 6) The timeframe set forth in Vehicle Code section 5902, within which a transferee of a vehicle must forward a certificate of ownership and apply for a transfer of registration, is suspended for a period of 60 days from the date of this Order. This suspension is applicable to transfers that occurred on or after March 4, 2020.
- 7) The timeframe set forth in Vehicle Code section 4152.5, governing the registration of vehicles previously registered in a foreign jurisdiction, is suspended for a period of 60 days.
- 8) The public filing, posting, notice, and public access requirements set forth in Public Resources Code sections 21092.3 and 21152, and California Code of Regulations, Title 14, sections 15062(c)(2) and (c)(4); 15072(d); 15075 (a),(d), and (e); 15087(d); and 15094(a), (d), and (e), for projects undergoing, or deemed exempt from, California Environmental Quality Act review, are suspended for a period of 60 days. This suspension does not apply to provisions governing the time for public review.

In the event that any lead agency, responsible agency, or project applicant is operating under any of these suspensions, and the lead agency, responsible agency, or project applicant would otherwise have been required to publicly post or file materials concerning the project with any county clerk, or otherwise make such materials available to the public, the lead agency, responsible agency, or project applicant (as applicable) shall do all of the following:

- a) Post such materials on the relevant agency's or applicant's public-facing website for the same period of time that physical posting would otherwise be required;
- b) Submit all materials electronically to the State Clearinghouse CEQAnet Web Portal; and
- c) Engage in outreach to any individuals and entities known by the lead agency, responsible agency, or project applicant to be parties interested in the project in the manner contemplated by the Public Resources Code sections 21100 et seq. and California Code of Regulations, Title 14, sections 15000 et seq.

In addition to the foregoing, lead agencies, responsible agencies, and project applicants are also encouraged to pursue additional methods of public notice and outreach as appropriate for particular projects and communities.

- 9) The timeframes set forth in Public Resources Code sections 21080.3.1 and 21082.3, within which a California Native American tribe must request consultation and the lead agency must begin the consultation process relating to an Environmental Impact Report, Negative Declaration, or Mitigated Negative Declaration under the California Environmental Quality Act, are suspended for 60 days.
- 10) Public Resources Code section 14571.6, subdivisions (a) and (b), is suspended for a period of 60 days.
- 11) Public Resources Code section 14585, and California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 2500, are suspended for a period of 60 days to the extent that either requires a recycling center to operate a minimum number of hours per week or remain open during specific periods of time, and recycling centers shall be permitted to receive handling fees in accordance with guidelines for weekly hours and times of operation developed and issued by the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery. The Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery shall develop and issue such guidelines no later than April 27, 2020.
- 12) Public Resources Code section 42283 is suspended for a period of 60 days to the extent that it prohibits retail establishments from (a) providing without charge reusable grocery bags or recycled paper bags to customers at point of sale, or (b) where it is not possible to provide reusable grocery bags or recycled paper bags, providing single-use carryout bags to customers at point of sale.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, apply to retail establishments in local jurisdictions with ordinances governing the use of single-use carryout bags in effect before January 1, 2015. Public Resources Code section 42287 continues to allow those jurisdictions to apply ordinances in effect before January 1, 2015 restricting the use of single-use carryout bags as well as any emergency rules established by those jurisdictions and their respective health departments.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 22nd day of April 2020.



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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**EXECUTIVE ORDER N-55-20**

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** despite sustained efforts, the virus remains a threat, and further efforts to control the spread of the virus to reduce and minimize the risk of infection and otherwise mitigate the effects of COVID-19 are needed; and

**WHEREAS** the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) and Medi-Cal providers require flexibility to meet the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567 and 8571, do hereby issue the following order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

- 1) Notwithstanding Welfare and Institutions Code sections 14132.100, 14132.101, 14132.107, 14170 and 14087.325(e)(2), the deadlines for providers to submit, and for DHCS to review, a cost report, change in scope of service request, or reconciliation request are each extended for an additional 90 days beyond the date on which such action would otherwise be due.
- 2) The time limitations in Welfare and Institutions Code section 14171, subdivisions (e) and (f), and the provision of subdivision (d) making those time limitations mandatory, are suspended. DHCS may conduct administrative hearings and issue final decisions related to the administration or services of Medi-Cal or DHCS notwithstanding the time limitations set forth in section 14171, subdivisions (e) and (f). Notwithstanding the foregoing, DHCS is encouraged to adhere to the timelines set forth in those subdivisions, to the extent reasonably possible. To the extent DHCS delays a matter under this paragraph, Welfare and Institutions Code section 14171 subdivision (h) is suspended, and interest on an unrecovered overpayment shall not accrue during the delay.
- 3) Notwithstanding any contrary provision of California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 22, sections 42131 et seq., 42140 et seq., 42180 et seq., and 42700, DHCS is authorized to hold the fair hearing process

for California Children's Services grievances and appeals by phone or video conference.

- 4) The requirement that in-person signatures and printed names be collected in connection with certain deliveries of certain Medi-Cal-covered drugs, as set forth in Welfare and Institutions Code section 14043.341, is suspended. Notwithstanding any provision of state law, deliveries to which section 14043.341 otherwise applies may be conducted using any form of delivery-service tracking or electronically documented proof of delivery.
- 5) Notwithstanding the uncodified provisions of section 77 of AB 1762 (Chapter 230, Statutes of 2003), use of the Laboratory Services Reservation System shall not be required in connection with COVID-19 testing.
- 6) Notwithstanding Welfare and Institutions Code section 14043.75 or any other provision of law (including, but not limited to, the Administrative Procedure Act, Government Code section 11340 et seq.) DHCS may, for the purpose of responding to the effects of COVID-19, issue bulletins or guidance related to provider enrollment without advance notice or public hearing.
- 7) Notwithstanding Health and Safety Code section 11834.10(a) and California Code of Regulations, Title 9, sections 10513, concerning licensed substance abuse disorder services residential treatment facilities, DHCS may authorize a licensee otherwise subject to those sections to operate beyond the conditions and limitations otherwise imposed on that licensee, for the purpose of ensuring sufficient bed capacity amongst such licensees. Any such authorization shall be individualized to a particular facility, and each such authorization shall be in writing and posted on DHCS' website. Additionally, California Code of Regulations, Title 9, 10522(a)(2) is suspended to the extent it requires a physical site visit in connection with an application for a license to operate any substance abuse disorder services residential treatment facility.
- 8) Welfare and Institutions Code sections 4080(d), 4096.5(d) and 5675(b); California Code of Regulations, Title 9, sections 531, 532(a), 534(d), and 1918-1938; California Code of Regulations, Title 22, sections 72443-72475 and 77012; and the Interim Short-Term Residential Treatment Program (STRTP) Regulations, Version II, sections 17(d) and (e), and 20(d), 24(a) and (b) are suspended to the extent they would restrict DHCS from granting Short Term Residential Treatment Programs, Special Treatment Programs, Psychiatric Health Facilities, Mental Health Rehabilitation Centers, Community Treatment Facilities, Community Residential Treatment Systems/Social Rehabilitation Programs and Psychiatric Health Facilities flexibility related to staffing requirements, and to the extent they would restrict DHCS from suspending on-site program reviews. DHCS shall implement this paragraph in consultation with the Department of Social Services; shall issue an Information Notice prior to any administrative implementation of this paragraph; and shall post on its website information about the implementation of this paragraph, which shall include the letter of approval (as to each

particular facility) of any flexibility related to staffing requirements that DHCS grants to a facility.

- 9) Notwithstanding Welfare and Institutions Code section 14711(c), DHCS may reimburse county behavioral health departments for administrative costs related to specialty mental health services up to 30 percent of the total actual cost of direct client services.
- 10) Health and Safety Code sections 11836.12 and 11837.3(a)(1), and California Code of Regulations, Title 9, section 9876.5(b) are suspended to the extent they would prevent DUI educational programs from receiving grant or other funding in lieu of raising fees, to the extent they would prevent DHCS from suspending on-site inspections in connection with any application for a license to conduct such a program (including, but not limited to, an initial application or a renewal of a license), and to the extent they would prevent blanket leaves-of-absence for participants in such programs if that program's operations are suspended.
- 11) California Code of Regulations, Title 9, section 852 is suspended to the extent it prevents a patient from receiving psychiatric medication without the patient's physical signature.
- 12) California Code of Regulations, Title 9, section 13035(f)(1) is suspended to the extent it would prevent DHCS from providing Alcohol or Other Drug (AOD) counselors an extension of time to complete their certification if their efforts to become certified are impacted by the COVID-19 emergency.
- 13) Notwithstanding Health and Safety Code sections 1342.8 and 1380.3, as well as Welfare and Institutions Code sections 14182(b)(9), 14456, and 14459.5, DHCS may temporarily delay or suspend—and may permit Medi-Cal managed care plans to temporarily delay or suspend—annual medical audits, surveys of physician offices, facility site reviews, plan and county data collection from providers, and similar audit or review activities.
- 14) The timeframes in Welfare and Institutions Code section 14182(c)(12)(A) are suspended. DHCS may allow Medi-Cal managed care plans to conduct beneficiary risk assessments according to any timeframe approved by DHCS not to exceed an additional 90 days after the timeframes in section 14182(c)(12)(A). Additionally, to the extent section 14182(c)(12)(A) would impose any limitation on the performance of such assessments by phone or video conference, any such limitation is suspended.
- 15) Health and Safety Code sections 123950 and 123870(b) and California Code of Regulation, Title 2, section 60330 are suspended to the extent they would prevent the California Children's Services Medical Therapy Program from offering physical and occupational therapy services in non-school settings.
- 16) California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 22, section 53887(a)(2)(B)(1) is suspended to the extent it would prevent DHCS

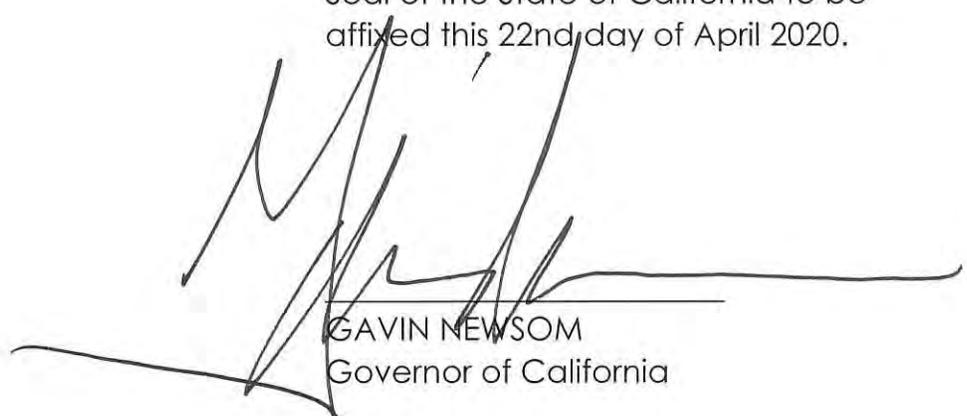
from extending the deadline for fee-for-service providers to submit information required for a Medical Exemption Request. Such extensions shall not exceed 90 days after the timeframes in section 53887(a)(2)(B)(1).

- 17) Regulatory action taken by DHCS to implement or interpret this Order shall be exempt from the Administrative Procedure Act, Government Code section 11340 et seq., and may be taken by means of all-plan letters, all-county letters, provider bulletins or other similar instructions.
- 18) This Order shall be construed to maintain consistency between state law and federal law. Nothing in this Order shall be construed to create any conflict with any provision of federal law, including but not limited to any provision of federal law with which the State has agreed to comply, or with which the State is otherwise expected to comply, in connection with the receipt of federal funds. Additionally, to the extent necessary to implement any waiver of any applicable federal-law requirement approved by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services in connection with COVID-19, any provision of state law is suspended to the extent it imposes any requirement equivalent to the waived federal-law requirement.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 22nd day of April 2020.



GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-56-20

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** on March 13, 2020, I issued Executive Order N-26-20, which ensured continued funding for public schools that close in response to the COVID-19 pandemic so they could continue, during the period of a school closure, to deliver high-quality distance learning opportunities, access to school nutrition programs, and supervision of students during ordinary school hours and to pay their employees; and

**WHEREAS** continued school closures in response to the COVID-19 pandemic will impact important annual planning, budgetary, and other processes specified by statute and regulation, necessitating immediate relief from associated deadlines in the short term; and

**WHEREAS** further action in partnership with the Legislature is necessary to address future deadlines that are not imminent, including certain requirements related to the California School Dashboard; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567 and 8571, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

1. For purposes of this Order, Local Educational Agency (LEA) means school districts, county offices of education, and charter schools; and the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) refers to a local control and accountability plan and annual update adopted using the template specified in Education Code section 52064.
2. The deadline for a local school district governing board, county board of education, or a governing body of a charter school to adopt the LCAP and the budget overview for parents by July 1 of each year, pursuant to Education Code sections 47604.33, 47606.5, 52060, 52061, 52064.1, 52066, and 52067, is extended until December 15, 2020, on the conditions that:
  - (i) The governing board or body of the LEA adopts, during the same meeting at which the governing board or body of the LEA adopts the annual budget due July 1, 2020, a written report to

the community that explains the changes to program offerings that the LEA has made in response to school closures to address the COVID-19 emergency and the major impacts of such closures on students and families, which shall include, at minimum, a description of how the LEA is meeting the needs of unduplicated pupils, defined consistent with Education Code section 42238.02(b)(1), during the period of school closures and the steps taken by the LEA, consistent with Paragraph 2 of Executive Order N-26-20, to support the following during the period of school closures:

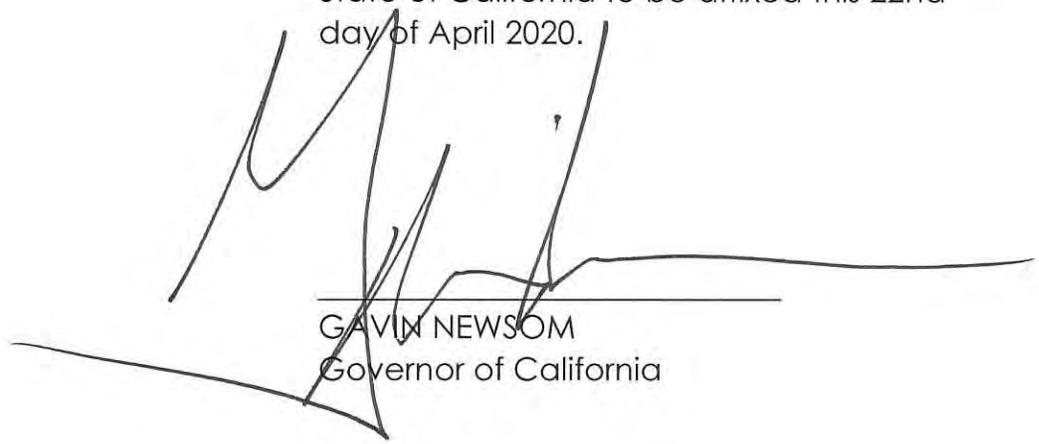
- a. Continue delivering high-quality distance learning opportunities;
  - b. Provide school meals in non-congregate settings; and
  - c. Arrange for supervision of students during ordinary school hours.
- (ii) School districts and county boards of education submit the written report adopted pursuant to clause (i) to the county superintendent of schools or the Superintendent of Public Instruction, respectively, in conjunction with submission of the adopted annual budget.
- (iii) A charter school submits the written report adopted pursuant to clause (i) to its authorizer in accordance with Education Code 47604.33.
- (iv) The LEA posts a copy of the written report adopted pursuant to clause (i) on the homepage of the internet website maintained by the LEA, if such website exists.
3. The California Department of Education shall develop a form that LEAs may use for the written report specified in Paragraph 2.
  4. The deadline for a county superintendent or the Superintendent of Public Instruction to approve the LCAP pursuant to Education Code section 52070(d) and 52070.5(d) is extended until January 14, 2021.
  5. The deadline for a charter school to submit the LCAP to its chartering authority and the county superintendent of schools is extended to December 15, 2020.
  6. Education Code section 52064(j) is waived with respect to any LCAP adopted pursuant to Paragraph 2.

7. For the budget adopted by a governing board of a school district on or before July 1, 2020, the requirements that the governing board adopt a LCAP prior to adopting a budget and that the budget include the expenditures identified in the LCAP pursuant to Education Code section 42127(a)(2)(A); that a county superintendent of schools disapprove the budget by September 15, 2020 if the budget does not include the expenditures necessary to implement the LCAP pursuant to Education Code sections 42127(c)(3) and 42127(d)(1); and that a county superintendent of schools shall not adopt or approve a budget before the LCAP for the budget year is approved pursuant to Education Code section 42127(d)(2), are waived.
8. For the budget adopted by a county board of education on or before July 1, 2020, the requirements that a county board of education adopt a LCAP prior to adopting a budget and that the budget include the expenditures identified in the LCAP pursuant to Education Code section 1622(a); that the Superintendent of Public Instruction disapprove the budget if the county board of education has not adopted a LCAP or if the budget does not include the expenditures necessary to implement the LCAP pursuant to Education Code section 1622(b)(2); and that the Superintendent of Public Instruction disapprove a revised budget by November 8, 2020 if the Superintendent of Public Instruction determines the budget does not include the expenditures necessary to implement the LCAP pursuant to Education Code section 1622(d), are waived.
9. Education Code section 52064.5(e)(2), requiring the governing board of a school district, the county board of education, and the governing body of a charter school to review data to be publicly reported for Dashboard local indicators in conjunction with adoption of the LCAP, is waived with respect to the review and adoption that would otherwise be required by July 1, 2020.
10. Paragraph 3 of Executive Order N-29-20, including the conditions specified therein, shall apply to meetings held pursuant to Article 3 of Chapter 2 of Part 21 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Education Code and Education Code section 47604.1(b).
11. The requirements specified in Education Code sections 51210(a)(7), 51220(d), 51222, and 51223, related to minimum instructional minutes in physical education for grades 1-12 are waived, and the requirements specified in Education Code section 51241(b)(2), related to providing adequate facilities for physical education courses, are waived.
12. Education Code section 60800, requiring each LEA maintaining any of grades 5, 7, and 9 to administer a physical fitness performance test to each student in those grades, and Education Code sections 33352(b)(4) and (5), requiring the California Department of Education to collect data regarding the administration of the physical fitness test, are waived for the 2019-20 school year.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 22nd day of April 2020.



A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to be 'Gavin Newsom', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is highly fluid and overlaps the line and the text below it.

GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**EXECUTIVE ORDER N-57-20**

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** the economic impacts of COVID-19 have been severe, and Californians have suffered unprecedented financial harms as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS** Congress and the President have enacted the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, Public Law 116-136, to provide emergency financial assistance to individuals affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, among other purposes; and

**WHEREAS** to alleviate the financial harms caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, and to otherwise further the public interest in mitigating the economic impacts of COVID-19, individuals who receive financial assistance under the CARES Act should be able to use such assistance to meet their own immediate financial needs, and to provide support to individuals who need and are entitled to such support; and

**WHEREAS** on April 16, 2020, I issued Executive Order N-52-20, suspending the State's entitlement to certain financial assistance made available to individuals under the CARES Act, and recognizing that such assistance should be made available to individuals (including custodial parents and other caregivers) who need such assistance in connection with past due support; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes specified in this Order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8571, and 8627, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

- 1) Financial assistance made available under section 2201 of the CARES Act (concerning 2020 Recovery Rebates for Individuals), and any other federal-, state-, or local-government financial assistance made available to individuals in express response to the COVID-19 pandemic, shall be exempt from any attachment, levy, execution, or garnishment, except as otherwise provided in this Order, without requiring any further action by the person receiving such financial assistance (including, but not limited to, the filing of any claim). This exemption shall extend to funds in any account held by an individual who received such financial assistance, to the extent those funds are traceable to the financial assistance received by that individual. The

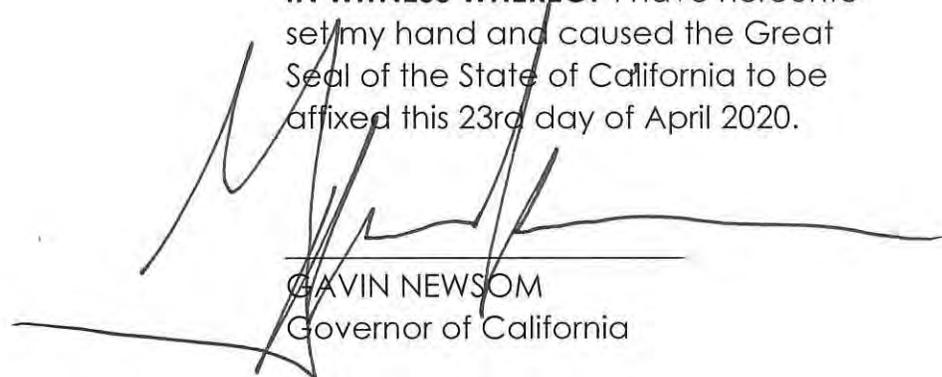
provisions of Part 2, Title 6.5 and Part 2, Title 9, Division 2 of the Code of Civil Procedure, and such other laws as may be necessary to implement this exemption, are suspended to the extent necessary to implement this exemption.

- 2) Notwithstanding Civil Code section 3054 or Financial Code section 1411, or any other provision of law, no financial institution shall have any lien upon, or any right of setoff against, any financial assistance or funds described in Paragraph 1. Funds in any account held by an individual who received the financial assistance described in Paragraph 1 shall be exempt from any such lien or setoff—including, but not limited to, any such setoff in connection with fees charged to, or debt arising from, the same account in which the funds are held—to the extent those funds are traceable to such financial assistance received by that individual.
- 3) The exemption set forth in Paragraph 1 shall not apply to any attachment, levy, execution, or garnishment in connection with any action for, or any judgment awarding, any child support, spousal support, or family support, or any criminal restitution payable to victims.
- 4) It shall be unlawful to collect any money in a manner inconsistent with Paragraph 1 or Paragraph 2, or to retain any money so collected, including (but not limited to) any money so collected prior to the date of this Order. Any money so collected shall be promptly refunded without any further action (including, but not limited to, the filing of any claim of any kind, or the payment of any fee or penalty of any kind) by the individual entitled to that money under Paragraphs 1 and 2.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 23rd day of April 2020.



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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-58-20

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as physical distancing and other public health measures undertaken in response to it, may make it impossible or impractical for individuals to appear in person in connection with various legal obligations generally required in connection with a valid marriage; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8571, and 8627, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately, and to expire after 60 days as set forth in Paragraph 7:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

- 1) Notwithstanding Family Code section 359 or section 426, or any other provision of law, adult applicants to be married may, in the discretion of the county clerk, be permitted to appear before a county clerk to obtain a marriage license via videoconference, rather than in person, if all of the following requirements are met:
  - a) Both applicants are physically present within the State of California, and present such proof of this fact (which may include, but need not be limited to, oral attestation) as the county clerk may require;
  - b) The videoconference includes both live video and live audio; and
  - c) During the videoconference, each applicant presents (via videoconference) photo identification consistent with Family Code section 354.

A marriage license issued using the procedure set forth in this Paragraph 1 may be transmitted to the applicants via e-mail or other electronic means.

- 2) Notwithstanding Family Code section 501 or section 502, or any other provision of law, the procedure set forth in Paragraph 1 may also be used in connection with the issuance of a confidential marriage

license, for applicants who are otherwise eligible to obtain a confidential marriage license.

- 3) Notwithstanding Family Code sections 420–422 or any other provision of law, the solemnization of a marriage may occur via videoconference that includes both live video and live audio—in which both parties to be married, the person solemnizing the marriage, and at least one necessary witness (and not more than two such witnesses, as set forth in Family Code sections 420 and 422(b)) all participate—in which the parties to be married declare (while visible and audible to the person solemnizing the marriage and any necessary witnesses) that they take each other as spouses. Additional persons invited by the parties may, but need not, also observe the videoconference.

Before the solemnization of a marriage pursuant to this Paragraph 3, one or both of the parties to be married shall transmit the marriage license via e-mail or other electronic means to the person solemnizing the marriage and to any necessary witnesses.

Neither the person solemnizing the marriage nor any necessary witnesses need be physically present within the State of California during the solemnization of a marriage pursuant to this Order.

- 4) Notwithstanding Family Code section 506 or any other provision of law, the solemnization of a confidential marriage may occur via videoconference that includes both live video and live audio, in which both parties to be married and the person solemnizing the marriage all participate, and in which the parties to be married declare (while visible and audible to the person solemnizing the marriage) that they take each other as spouses.

Before the solemnization of a confidential marriage pursuant to this Paragraph 4, one or both of the parties to be married shall transmit the marriage license via e-mail or other electronic means to the person solemnizing the marriage.

A person solemnizing a confidential marriage pursuant to this Order need not be physically present within the State of California during the solemnization of the marriage.

- 5) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, whenever any provision of law (including, but not limited to, Family Code sections 422–423 or section 506) requires the entry of a signature or other information upon a marriage license or certificate (or any other document required in connection with the act of marriage), a photocopy, scan, or other electronic reproduction of that signature or other information shall have the same legal effect as an original signature, and any legible copy of the marriage license or certificate (or other applicable document) transmitted via e-mail or other electronic means shall have the same legal effect as the original.
- 6) Nothing in this Order shall in any way alter the grounds for denial of a marriage license set forth in Family Code section 352. Nothing in this Order shall in any way restrict the authority of a county clerk to

examine the applicants for a marriage license on oath or to require additional documentary proof as set forth in Family Code section 354. Any procedures related to such examination and proof (including, but not limited, to the reduction of the examination to writing and related signatures) may—but need not—be completed via e-mail or otherwise electronically, in the discretion of the county clerk.

- 7) The provisions of this Executive Order shall expire 60 days after issuance, unless further extended by future Executive Order.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 30th day of April 2020.



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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**EXECUTIVE ORDER N-59-20**

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** physical distancing and other public health measures, and related service disruptions, may prevent applicants to and recipients of the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) program from meeting certain program requirements to receive aid and services; and

**WHEREAS** COVID-19 continues to cause serious economic harm and financial uncertainty for many Californians, including those who are recipients of the CalWORKs program; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this Order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8571, and 8627, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

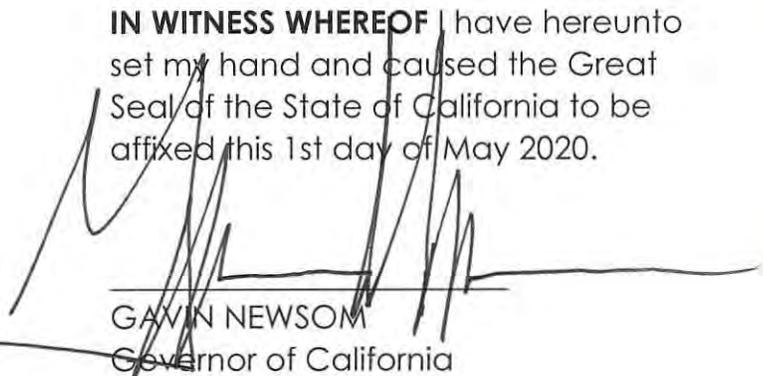
- 1) Notwithstanding sections 40-115.22 and 80-301(m)(3) of the Department of Social Services' Manual of Policies and Procedures ("MPP"), or any other provision of law (including, but not limited to, any provision of Welfare and Institutions Code section 11450(b)), pregnant CalWORKs applicants who do not have another needy child in the family shall be permitted to satisfy the requirement to provide medical verification of pregnancy by means of a sworn statement, or, if necessary, verbal attestation that they are pregnant. Medical verification of pregnancy must be submitted within 30 working days following submittal of the sworn statement or verbal attestation for benefits to continue.
- 2) Welfare and Institutions Code section 10831 and any implementing regulations, including (but not limited to) MPP section 40-105.3, are suspended to the extent that they require the Department of Social Services to implement an identity verification method for CalWORKs applicants who are not able to present photo identification in person.
- 3) Notwithstanding Welfare and Institutions Code section 11054 and any implementing regulations, including, but not limited to, MPP Sections 40-115.22 and 40-128.11, the "affirmation setting forth [an applicant's] belief that [the applicant] meets specific conditions of eligibility" required by section 11054 need not be in writing: County Welfare Departments may accept a CalWORKs applicant's oral affirmation of belief if the County Welfare Department is unable to accept, or the applicant is unable to provide, a physical signature.

- 4) Welfare and Institutions Code section 11052.5 is suspended to the extent that it requires CalWORKs applicants to undergo an interview before being granted public assistance if a County Welfare Department has verified the identity of the applicant and has completed all other mandatory verifications pursuant to Chapter 2 of Part 3 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code and any implementing regulations, including, but not limited to, MPP Section 40-131.
- 5) To the extent state eligibility criteria for the lump-sum diversion program under Welfare and Institutions Code section 11266.5 impose more stringent requirements related to an applicant's gross income than would otherwise be imposed by federally applicable income eligibility criteria (including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. § 260.31 (b) and related Temporary Assistance for Needy Families guidance), those state eligibility criteria are suspended, on the condition that applicants seeking to participate in the lump-sum diversion program pursuant to this paragraph shall establish a need for such participation that is related to the COVID-19 pandemic, and on the further condition that total payments issued to an applicant family shall not exceed \$5,000.
- 6) Welfare and Institutions Code section 11157 and any implementing regulations, including, but not limited to, MPP Sections 44-101(g), 44-102.14, 44-103.121, and 44-113.21 are suspended to the extent that they require a County Welfare Department to consider Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation received by a recipient as income in determining eligibility for the CalWORKs program.
- 7) The suspensions set forth in Paragraphs 1–5 shall expire on June 30, 2020, except that the Department of Social Services may re-impose any requirement suspended by Paragraphs 1–5 before June 30, 2020, if necessary to comply with any federal requirement.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 1st day of May 2020.

  
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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-60-20

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** on March 19, 2020, I issued Executive Order N-33-20, which directed all California residents to immediately heed current State public health directives; and

**WHEREAS** State public health directives, available at <https://covid19.ca.gov/stay-home-except-for-essential-needs/>, have ordered all California residents stay home except for essential needs, as defined in State public health directives; and

**WHEREAS** COVID-19 continues to menace public health throughout California; and

**WHEREAS** the extent to which COVID-19 menaces public health throughout California is expected to continue to evolve, and may vary from place to place within the State; and

**WHEREAS** California law promotes the preservation of public health by providing for local health officers—appointed by county boards of supervisors and other local authorities—in addition to providing for statewide authority by a State Public Health Officer; and

**WHEREAS** these local health officers, working in consultation with county boards of supervisors and other local authorities, are well positioned to understand the local needs of their communities; and

**WHEREAS** local governments are encouraged to coordinate with federally recognized California tribes located within or immediately adjacent to the external geographical boundaries of such local government jurisdiction; and

**WHEREAS** the global COVID-19 pandemic threatens the entire State, and coordination between state and local public health officials is therefore, and will continue to be, necessary to curb the spread of COVID-19 throughout the State; and

**WHEREAS** State public health officials have worked, and will continue to work, in consultation with their federal, state, and tribal government partners; and

**WHEREAS** the State Public Health Officer has articulated a four-stage framework—which includes provisions for the reopening of lower-risk businesses and spaces (“Stage Two”), to be followed by the reopening of higher-risk businesses and spaces (“Stage Three”)—to allow Californians to gradually resume various activities while continuing to preserve public health in the face of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** the threat posed by COVID-19 is dynamic and ever-changing, and the State's response to COVID-19 (including implementation of the four-stage framework) should likewise retain the ability to be dynamic and flexible; and

**WHEREAS** to preserve this flexibility, and under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act, Government Code section 11340 et seq., would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8571, 8627, and 8665; and also in accordance with the authority vested in the State Public Health Officer by the laws of the State of California, including but not limited to Health and Safety Code sections 120125, 120130, 120135, 120140, 120145, 120150, 120175, and 131080; do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

- 1) All residents are directed to continue to obey State public health directives, as made available at <https://covid19.ca.gov/stay-home-except-for-essential-needs/> and elsewhere as the State Public Health Officer may provide.
- 2) As the State moves to allow reopening of lower-risk businesses and spaces ("Stage Two"), and then to allow reopening of higher-risk businesses and spaces ("Stage Three"), the State Public Health Officer is directed to establish criteria and procedures—as set forth in this Paragraph 2—to determine whether and how particular local jurisdictions may implement public health measures that depart from the statewide directives of the State Public Health Officer.

In particular, the State Public Health Officer is directed to establish criteria to determine whether and how, in light of the extent to which the public health is menaced by COVID-19 from place to place within the State, local health officers may (during the relevant stages of reopening) issue directives to establish and implement public health measures less restrictive than any public health measures implemented on a statewide basis pursuant to the statewide directives of the State Public Health Officer.

The State Public Health Officer is further directed to establish procedures through which local health officers may (during the relevant stages of reopening) certify that, if their respective jurisdictions are subject to proposed public health measures (which they shall specify to the extent such specification may be required by the State Public Health Officer) that are less restrictive than public health measures implemented on a statewide basis pursuant to the statewide directives of the State Public Health Officer, the public health will not be menaced. The State Public Health Officer shall additionally establish procedures to permit, in a manner consistent with public health and

safety, local health officers who submit such certifications to establish and implement such less restrictive public health measures within their respective jurisdictions.

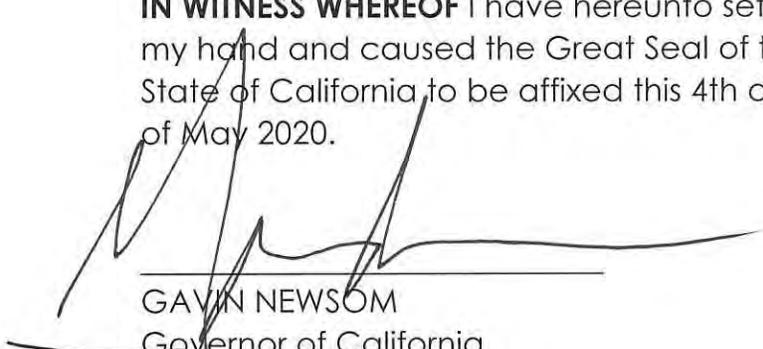
The State Public Health Officer may, from time to time and as she deems necessary to respond to the dynamic threat posed by COVID-19, revise the criteria and procedures set forth in this Paragraph 2. Nothing related to the establishment or implementation of such criteria or procedures, or any other aspect of this Order, shall be subject to the Administrative Procedure Act, Government Code section 11340 et seq. Nothing in this Paragraph 2 shall limit the authority of the State Public Health Officer to take any action she deems necessary to protect public health in the face of the threat posed by COVID-19, including (but not limited to) any necessary revision to the four-stage framework previously articulated by the State Public Health Officer.

- 3) Nothing in this Order shall be construed to limit the existing authority of local health officers to establish and implement public health measures within their respective jurisdictions that are more restrictive than, or that otherwise exist in addition to, the public health measures imposed on a statewide basis pursuant to the statewide directives of the State Public Health Officer.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 4th day of May 2020.



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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**EXECUTIVE ORDER N-61-20**

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** many taxpayers have suffered financial hardship as a result of COVID-19, which has undermined their ability to pay property taxes when those taxes have become due; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes specified in this Order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8571, and 8627, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

- 1) Division 1 of the Revenue and Taxation Code (including sections 75.52, 2610.5, 2618, 2922, 2705, and 4103) is suspended until May 6, 2021 to the extent that it requires a tax collector to impose penalties, costs, or interest for the failure to pay taxes on property on the secured or unsecured roll, or to pay a supplemental bill, before the date and time such taxes became delinquent, and a tax collector shall cancel such penalties, costs, and interest provided all of the following conditions are satisfied:
  - i) The property for which taxes were not paid is either:
    - a. residential real property occupied by the taxpayer, or
    - b. real property owned and operated by a taxpayer that qualifies as a small business under the Small Business Administration's Regulations, Code of Federal Regulations, Title 13, section 121.201;
  - ii) The taxes owed on the property in question were not delinquent prior to March 4, 2020;
  - iii) The taxpayer timely files a claim for relief in a form and manner prescribed by the tax collector; and
  - iv) The taxpayer demonstrates to the satisfaction of the tax collector that the taxpayer has suffered economic hardship, or was otherwise unable to tender payment of taxes in a timely fashion, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, or any local, state, or federal government response to COVID-19.

Revenue and Taxation Code section 4985.2, subdivision (a) is suspended to the extent necessary to implement this Paragraph 1.

- 2) The taxes owed on a property by a taxpayer making payments pursuant to an installment plan under Revenue and Taxation Code section 4837.5 or Revenue and Taxation Code, Part 7, Chapter 3 (commencing with section 4186) shall not be considered delinquent under Paragraph 1 of this Order if, on or before March 4, 2020, all payments required by the plan were made.
- 3) Paragraph 1 shall not apply to any property for which taxes are paid through an impound account.
- 4) Revenue and Taxation Code section 441, subdivision (b), and section 463, subdivision (a), are suspended until May 31, 2020 to the extent that either imposes a penalty for failing to file a property statement on or before May 7, 2020, such that no penalty shall be imposed upon a taxpayer if the taxpayer files a personal property tax statement as required by Revenue and Taxation Code section 441(a) on or before May 31, 2020.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that, as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to excuse any taxpayer from the duty to pay any taxes separate and apart from any penalty, costs, or interest resulting from the failure to pay taxes before the date and time such taxes became delinquent.

This Order is not intended to limit or restrict the existing authority of a tax collector, auditor, or board of supervisors to waive, cancel, or excuse penalties, costs, or interest.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 6th day of May 2020.

  
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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

**EXECUTIVE ORDER N-62-20**

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** on March 19, 2020, I issued Executive Order N-33-20, directing all residents statewide to obey all state public health directives, including the State Public Health Officer's order to all individuals living in the state to stay home or at their other place of residence, except as otherwise specified, including as needed to maintain continuity of operations of critical infrastructure sectors during the COVID-19 response; and

**WHEREAS** employees who report to their places of employment are often exposed to an increased risk of contracting COVID-19, which may require medical treatment, including hospitalization; and

**WHEREAS** employees who report to work while sick increase health and safety risks for themselves, their fellow employees, and others with whom they come into contact; and

**WHEREAS** prompt and efficient treatment will be realized by facilitating access to this state's workers' compensation system for medical treatment and disability benefits; and

**WHEREAS** the provision of workers' compensation benefits related to COVID-19, when appropriate, will reduce the spread of COVID-19 and otherwise mitigate the effects of COVID-19 among all Californians, thereby promoting public health and safety; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this Order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8571, and 8627, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

- 1) Any COVID-19-related illness of an employee shall be presumed to arise out of and in the course of the employment for purposes of awarding workers' compensation benefits if all of the following requirements are satisfied:

- a. The employee tested positive for or was diagnosed with COVID-19 within 14 days after a day that the employee performed labor or services at the employee's place of employment at the employer's direction;
  - b. The day referenced in subparagraph (a) on which the employee performed labor or services at the employee's place of employment at the employer's direction was on or after March 19, 2020;
  - c. The employee's place of employment referenced in subparagraphs (a) and (b) was not the employee's home or residence; and
  - d. Where subparagraph (a) is satisfied through a diagnosis of COVID-19, the diagnosis was done by a physician who holds a physician and surgeon license issued by the California Medical Board and that diagnosis is confirmed by further testing within 30 days of the date of the diagnosis.
- 2) The presumption set forth in Paragraph 1 is disputable and may be controverted by other evidence, but unless so controverted, the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board is bound to find in accordance with it. This presumption shall only apply to dates of injury occurring through 60 days following the date of this Order.
  - 3) Notwithstanding Labor Code section 5402, if liability for a claim of a COVID-19-related illness pursuant to Paragraph 1 is not rejected within 30 days after the date the claim form is filed under Labor Code section 5401, the illness shall be presumed compensable, unless rebutted by evidence only discovered subsequent to the 30-day period.
  - 4) An accepted claim for the COVID-19-related illness referenced in Paragraph 1 shall be eligible for all benefits applicable under the workers' compensation laws of this state, including full hospital, surgical, medical treatment, disability indemnity, and death benefits, and shall be subject to those laws including Labor Code sections 4663 and 4664, except as otherwise provided in this Order.
  - 5) Notwithstanding any applicable workers' compensation statute or regulation, where an employee has paid sick leave benefits specifically available in response to COVID-19, those benefits shall be used and exhausted before any temporary disability benefits or benefits under Labor Code section 4850 are due and payable. Where an employee does not have such sick leave benefits, the employee shall be provided temporary disability benefits or Labor Code section 4850 benefits if applicable, from the date of disability. In no event shall there be a waiting period for temporary disability benefits.
  - 6) To qualify for temporary disability or Labor Code section 4850 benefit payments under this Order, an employee must satisfy either of the following:
    - a. If the employee tests positive or is diagnosed under Paragraph 1 on or after the date of this Order, the employee must be certified for temporary disability within the first 15 days after the

initial diagnosis, and must be recertified for temporary disability every 15 days thereafter, for the first 45 days following diagnosis;  
or

- b. If the employee tested positive or was diagnosed under Paragraph 1 prior to the date of this Order, the employee must obtain a certification, within 15 days of the date of the Order, documenting the period for which the employee was temporarily disabled and unable to work, and must be recertified for temporary disability every 15 days thereafter, for the first 45 days following diagnosis.

All employees must be certified for temporary disability by a physician holding a physician and surgeon license issued by the California Medical Board. The certifying physician can be a designated workers' compensation physician in an applicable Medical Provider Network or Health Care Organization, a predesignated workers' compensation physician, or a physician in the employee's group health plan. If the employee does not have a designated workers' compensation physician or group health plan, the employee should be certified by a physician of the employee's choosing who holds a physician and surgeon license.

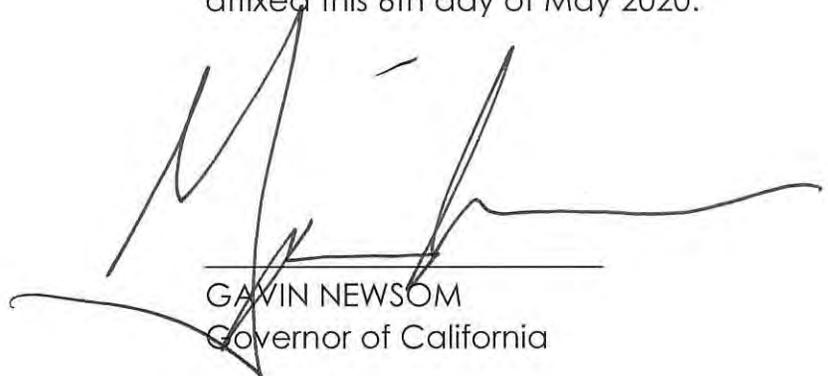
- 7) The Administrative Director of the Division of Workers' Compensation shall adopt, amend, or repeal any regulations that the Administrative Director deems necessary to implement this Order. Any regulations so promulgated by the Administrative Director shall be exempt from the Administrative Procedures Act (Chapter 3.5 of Part 1 of Title 2 of the Government Code), except that the Administrative Director shall submit the regulations to the Office of Administrative Law for publication in the California Regulatory Notice Register.
- 8) This Order shall apply to all workers' compensation insurance carriers writing policies that provide coverage in California, self-insured employers, and any other employer carrying its own risk, including the State of California. Nothing in this Order shall be construed to limit the existing authority of insurance carriers to adjust the costs of their policies.
- 9) The Department of Industrial Relations shall waive collection on any death benefit payment due pursuant to Labor Code section 4706.5 arising out of claims covered by this Order.

Nothing in this Order shall be construed to modify or suspend any workers' compensation statute or regulation not in conflict with this Order, or to reduce or eliminate any other right or benefit to which an employee is otherwise entitled under law, including the Families First Coronavirus Recovery Act, collective bargaining agreement, or Employee Benefit Plan, including group health insurance, that is in effect prior to March 19, 2020.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 6th day of May 2020.

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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

**EXECUTIVE ORDER N-63-20**

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as physical distancing and other public health measures undertaken in response to it, have affected governmental agencies, workers, private businesses, and California residents, with associated impacts on adherence to certain statutory and regulatory deadlines, as well as to workers' efforts to vindicate their labor and employment rights; and

**WHEREAS** the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as physical distancing and other public health measures undertaken in response to it, have also had widespread impacts on state and local governments' ability to perform certain functions via in-person interactions, and such functions should be performed via other means to the extent consistent with public safety and other critical public interests; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8571, and 8627, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

- 1) The time in which to complete the evaluation required under Education Code section 17311(b)(3) (concerning Public School Project Inspectors) is extended to September 1, 2020, as to any inspector who has previously passed an initial evaluation under that subdivision and whose reevaluation would otherwise be due on or before May 6, 2020.
- 2) Notwithstanding the three-year period set forth in Government Code section 4459.8(a), any certification under Government Code section 4459.5 (concerning Certified Access Specialists) that would otherwise have expired between March 19, 2020 and May 31, 2020 is extended for 60 days from the date of this Order. Such certifications may be subject to further renewal as otherwise provided by law.

- 3) The timeframes set forth in Health and Safety Code sections 13144.2, and 13144.3, are suspended for 60 days. As a result, the deadline for submitting applications under Health and Safety Code section 13144.2 is extended to June 30, 2020, and current listings under Health and Safety Code section 13144.3 are extended to August 29, 2020. No penalty shall be imposed for failure to pay a renewal fee under Health and Safety Code section 13144.2, if that fee is received by June 30, 2020.
- 4) The timeframes set forth in Health and Safety Code sections 13127 and 13128 are suspended for 60 days. As a result, the deadline for renewing registrations under Health and Safety Code section 13127 is extended to June 30, 2020, and current registrations under Health and Safety Code section 13128 are extended to August 29, 2020. No penalty shall be imposed for failure to pay a registration fee under Health and Safety Code section 13127, subdivision (c)(1), if that fee is received by June 30, 2020.
- 5) The timeframes set forth in California Code of Regulations, Title 19, sections 938, 939, and 944 are suspended for 60 days. As a result, both current certifications and the deadlines for renewing those certifications under California Code of Regulations, Title 19, sections 938 and 939 are extended to August 29, 2020. In addition, the deadline for filing a notice of renewal under California Code of Regulations, Title 19, sections 944 is extended to June 30, 2020, and no late fee shall be charged if a notice of renewal is received by that date.
- 6) The term of office specified in Government Code section 8204 is extended for a period of 60 days for any notary public whose commission has expired since March 1, 2020 or whose commission is set to expire over the next 60 days, on the conditions that:
  - a) The notary public shall annotate on each notarial act completed during the extension the following: "The notary commission extended pursuant to Executive Order N-63-20."; and
  - b) The notary public shall maintain a valid surety bond pursuant to Government Code section 8212 during the extension.
- 7) The requirement in Civil Code section 1185(b)(3)(A) that an identification card or driver's license issued by the California Department of Motor Vehicles is current or has been issued within the last 5 years in order to serve as satisfactory evidence of identity for an officer or notary public to acknowledge an instrument is, for a period of 60 days, suspended with respect to any identification card or driver's license issued by the California Department of Motor Vehicles showing an expiration date of March 1, 2020 or later.

- 8) The deadlines specified in the following statutes and regulations shall be extended for a period of 60 days:
- a) Labor Code sections 142.2 and 147, related to reports by the Division of Occupational Safety and Health (Cal/OSHA) and the Occupational Safety & Health Standards Board (OSHSB) on proposed standards or variances;
  - b) Labor Code section 99, related to the Labor Commissioner's filing of claims and liens of employees, and Civil Code section 8414 to the extent it governs the deadlines for filing and recording such claims and liens;
  - c) Labor Code sections 4616(b)(1) and California Code of Regulations, Title 8, sections 9767.2(a) and (b) and 9767.8(d), related to the period in which the administrative director must act upon Medical Provider Network applications or requests for modifications or reapprovals;
  - d) California Code of Regulations, Title 8, section 17304, related to the period in which the Return-To-Work Supplement Program must receive an application for a Return-to-Work Supplement;
  - e) California Code of Regulations, title 8, section 17309, related to filing a Return-to Work Supplement appeal and any reply or responsive papers;
  - f) Labor Code section 123.5 and California Code of Regulations, Title 8, sections 9713, 9714, and 9714.5, related to the period in which Workers' Compensation Administrative Law Judges must file decisions;
  - g) Labor Code 5313, related to the period in which the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board must act on any decision submitted by a Workers' Compensation Administrative Law Judge;
  - h) Government Code section 3505.4(a) and California Code of Regulations, Title 8, section 32802(a)(1), related to the period in which a party must request that the parties' differences be submitted to a factfinding panel under Meyers-Milias-Brown Act post-impasse resolution procedures;
  - i) Government Code section 3548.1, related to the period in which a party must request that the parties' differences be submitted to a factfinding panel under Educational Employment Relations Act post-impasse resolution procedures; and
  - j) Government Code section 3591, related to the period in which a party must request that the parties' differences be submitted to a factfinding panel under Educational Employment Relations Act post-impasse resolution procedures.

- 9) The deadlines specified in or that apply to the following statutes and regulations shall be extended for a period of 60 days to the limited extent that the time to issue a citation or file a complaint, claim, or appeal would otherwise elapse in the 60-day period following this Order:
- a) All Labor Code sections and related regulations setting the time for the Labor Commissioner to issue any citation under the Labor Code, including a civil wage and penalty assessment pursuant to Labor Code section 1741;
  - b) All Labor Code sections and related regulations setting deadlines for any employer or other person to appeal or petition for review of any citation issued by the Labor Commissioner;
  - c) Labor Code sections 98, 98.7, 1700.44, and 2673.1, related to workers' rights to file complaints and initiate proceedings with the Labor Commissioner;
  - d) Labor Code section 6317, related to the issuance of Cal/OSHA citations; and
  - e) Labor Code sections 6319, 6600, 6600.5, 6601, and 6601.5, related to the appeal of citations, notices, or orders of Cal/OSHA.
- 10) Any statute or regulation that requires a public employer to post notice on "employee bulletin boards" is suspended, provided that the public employer provides such notice to its employees through electronic means, such as through electronic mail to its employees, posting on an employer-operated website frequented by its employees, or any other electronic means customarily used by the public employer to communicate with its employees.
- 11) Any statute or regulation that permits a party or witness to participate in a hearing in person, a member of the public to be physically present at the place where a presiding officer conducts a hearing, or a party to object to a presiding officer conducting all or part of a hearing by telephone, television, or other electronic means, is suspended, provided that all of the following requirements are satisfied:
- a) Each participant in the hearing has an opportunity to participate in and to hear the entire proceeding while it is taking place and to observe exhibits;
  - b) A member of the public who is otherwise entitled to observe the hearing may observe the hearing using electronic means; and
  - c) The presiding officer satisfies all requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act and Unruh Civil Rights Act.
- 12) The timeframe in California Code of Regulations, Title 11, section 1950(c)(1)(C), is extended from 180 days to one year for the purpose of authorizing the Executive Director of the Commission on Peace Officer

Standards and Training (POST) to issue discretionary exemptions to individual law enforcement agencies seeking to temporarily reemploy peace officers who retired or separated in good standing from the requesting agency. The term of any such temporary peace officer reemployment shall expire no later than one year from the date of this Order, unless further extended by Executive Order.

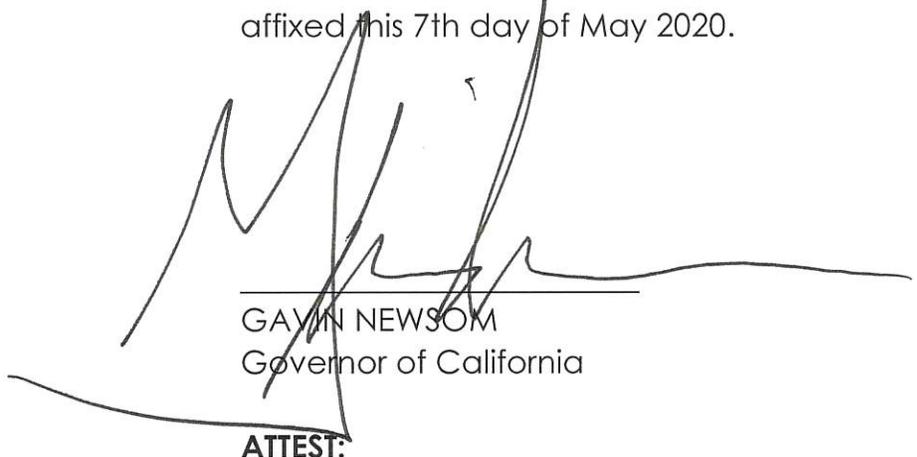
- 13) On a case-by-case basis, POST's Executive Director is authorized to grant individual technical and scheduling waivers or exceptions to address disruptions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. The Executive Director shall notify the POST Commission of any such waiver or exception and shall rescind the waiver or exception once it is no longer necessary.
- 14) To protect the health, safety, and welfare of students and instructors in Basic Academy training courses, POST temporarily may allow lecture-based Basic Academy instruction to be delivered online in a format POST deems appropriate. For any instruction conducted online, POST shall require that students be closely monitored by instructors to ensure students gain a thorough understanding of the materials. POST shall continue to require in-person instruction for testing and practical skills training. Any prohibitions set forth in POST policies, procedures, or the California Code of Regulations (including but not limited to California Code of Regulations, Title 11, section 1052) that limit the ability to conduct online Basic Academy training for lecture-based courses are temporarily waived.
- 15) Law enforcement agencies are encouraged to adopt telephonic, remote, or other procedures for registration and reporting under the Sex Offender Registration Act that are consistent with State and local public health guidance regarding physical distancing, and to post or publicize such procedures through means calculated to reach any person subject to the Act.
  - a) To the extent that a law enforcement agency institutes telephonic, remote, or other procedures to enable physical distancing, all provisions of the Sex Offender Registration Act (Penal Code sections 290 to 290.024, inclusive) and implementing procedures that require persons subject to the Act to appear in person, and all provisions of the Act and implementing procedures that require such persons to provide a signature, fingerprints, and photograph, are suspended for 60 days.
  - b) To ensure that lack of technology does not prevent any individual from complying with registration and reporting requirements, law enforcement agencies are encouraged to provide alternative means of registration and reporting, including permitting the physical presence of registrants consistent with State and local public health guidance regarding physical distancing.

The requirement to register and all other registration and reporting requirements of the Sex Offender Registration Act remain in place.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 7th day of May 2020.



A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to be "Gavin Newsom". The signature is written over a horizontal line that serves as a separator between the signature and the printed name below it.

GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-64-20

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** on November 3, 2020, California—like the other states of the United States—will hold a General Election, and Californians throughout the state will exercise their right to vote; and

**WHEREAS** it is unknown to what degree COVID-19 will pose a threat to public health in November, and California and its counties must begin taking action now—to procure supplies, secure polling places, enlist volunteers, and draw up plans, among other steps—to ensure that the November 3, 2020 General Election is held in a manner that is accessible, secure, and safe; and

**WHEREAS** to preserve public health in the face of the threat of COVID-19, and to ensure that the November election is accessible, secure, and safe, all Californians must be empowered to vote by mail, from the safety of their own homes; and

**WHEREAS** it is also essential to ensure that all Californians who may need access to in-person voting opportunities—including individuals with disabilities, individuals who speak languages other than English, individuals experiencing homelessness, and others who may find vote-by-mail less accessible than in-person voting—are able to access such opportunities and exercise their right to vote; and

**WHEREAS** the Secretary of State has been working with California elections officials, voting rights advocates, and other stakeholders to explore how best to implement procedures for the November election that will make in-person voting opportunities available, give county elections officials needed flexibility, and preserve public health; and

**WHEREAS** discussions concerning the November election have been informed, and should continue to be informed, by the ways in which existing California law—including, in particular, the California Voter's Choice Act—provide standards to ensure that, even in the context of an "all-mail ballot" election, voters are able to access in-person voting opportunities; and

**WHEREAS** work in partnership with the Legislature and the Secretary of State, guided by the standards in existing California law and the exigencies of the COVID-19 pandemic, will be essential to ensure that the November election is accessible, secure, and safe; and

**WHEREAS** confirming that every voter will be able to vote by mail in the November election will allow California and its counties to begin preparing for that election now—even as planning continues to determine how details of that election (including requirements concerning the availability of in-person voting opportunities) will be implemented; and

**WHEREAS** it is critical that counties have clarity regarding requirements for in-person voting opportunities and other details of the November election by no later than May 30, 2020, which may require a subsequent Executive Order; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes specified in this Order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8571, and 8627, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

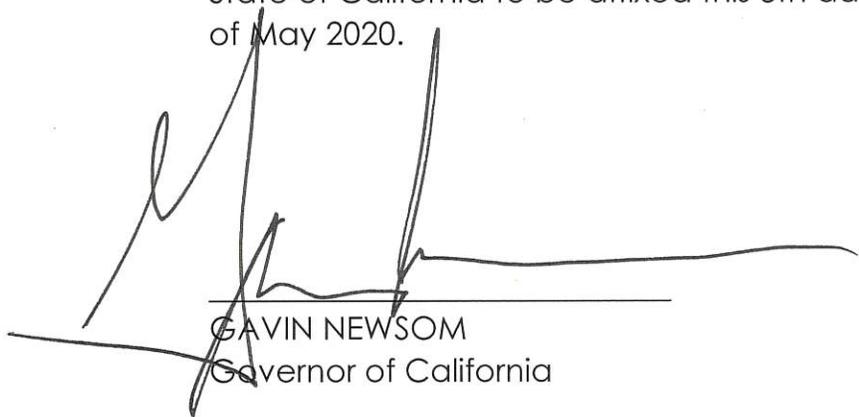
**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

- 1) Notwithstanding any limitation on the distribution of vote-by-mail ballots in Elections Code sections 1500 and 4000-4007, or any other provision of state law, each county elections officials shall transmit vote-by-mail ballots for the November 3, 2020 General Election to all voters who are, as of the last day on which vote-by-mail ballots may be transmitted to voters in connection with that election, registered to vote in that election. As set forth in this paragraph, every Californian who is eligible to vote in the November 3, 2020 General Election shall receive a vote-by-mail ballot.
- 2) Nothing in this Order shall be construed to limit the extent to which in-person voting opportunities are made available in connection with the November 3, 2020 General Election. It is the intent of this Order that my Administration continue to work with the Legislature and the Secretary of State to determine how requirements for in-person voting opportunities and other details of the November election will be implemented—guided by California's longstanding commitment to making its elections accessible, as enshrined in existing California law, while recognizing the exigencies of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- 3) My Administration continues working in partnership with the Secretary of State and the Legislature on requirements for in-person voting opportunities and on how other details of the November election will be implemented. Nothing in this Order is intended, or shall be construed, to limit the enactment of legislation on that subject.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 8th day of May 2020.



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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**EXECUTIVE ORDER N-65-20**

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** despite sustained efforts, COVID-19 continues to spread and is impacting nearly all sectors of California; and

**WHEREAS** the COVID-19 pandemic and the physical distancing measures implemented to combat it have affected governmental agencies, private businesses, and members of the public, with associated impacts on adherence to certain statutory and regulatory deadlines and other requirements; and

**WHEREAS** the COVID-19 pandemic has also put increased strain on community-based organizations that combat domestic violence, making it more difficult for those organizations to satisfy certain state grant requirements at a time when there is a critical need for domestic violence prevention and survivor support; and

**WHEREAS** many state and federal agency offices have closed and shifted their workforce to remote locations as a result of public health requirements regarding physical distancing, limiting the public's access to many state and federal agency offices; and

**WHEREAS** schools in California have closed their campuses and shifted their resources and workforce capacity to implement distance learning to provide ongoing educational support and services to the preschool through grade 12 students in California, limiting their ability to process verifications necessary for the administration of financial aid for graduating students and changing the grading for courses during the impacted academic terms; and

**WHEREAS** under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this Order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8571, and 8627, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

- 1) All encumbrance and liquidation deadlines for all funds administered by the Energy Commission shall be suspended for a period of 60 days from the date of this Order, regardless of how the funds may be awarded (e.g., grants, contracts, and loans), in order to allow applicants and recipients an opportunity to work with the Energy

Commission to implement mechanisms for meeting grant and loan requirements for projects that have been delayed as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, and to allow for potential action by the Legislature.

- 2) The provisions of Public Resources Code sections 21000 through 21178 are suspended, for a period of 60 days from the date of this Order, as applied to the approval of encumbrance of funds for all Energy Commission programs if all of the following criteria are met:
  - (i) The Energy Commission is a responsible agency, not lead agency, under the California Environmental Quality Act;
  - (ii) The Energy Commission approval is solely for the encumbrance of funds;
  - (iii) Any encumbered funds are contingent on the project lead agency approving such project in accordance with the provisions of California Environmental Quality Act; and
  - (iv) The applicant provides documentation of the approval(s) required in subparagraph (iii) prior to receipt of any encumbered funds.
- 3) The deadline specified in Government Code section 1774(c), related to the Senate's confirmation of an individual appointed or reappointed by the Governor to an office, is extended for a period of 90 days. Additionally, the deadlines specified in Government Code section 1774(a), related to the Governor's reappointment of an incumbent to an office, and Government Code section 1774(b), related to transmittal of the required information about reappointment of an incumbent to the Secretary of the Senate, and which were extended via Executive Order N-35-20, are further extended for a period of 60 days from the date of this Order.
- 4) The requirement for certain domestic violence centers to provide cash or an in-kind match of at least 10 percent of funds received pursuant to Penal Code section 13823.15, as set forth in subdivision (c) of that section, is suspended for a period of 180 days.
- 5) Notwithstanding the one-year period set forth in Health and Safety Code section 11362.745(a), identification cards issued under Health and Safety Code section 11362.71 (concerning identification cards for persons authorized to engage in the medical use of cannabis and their designated primary caregivers) that would otherwise have expired between March 4, 2020 and any day within 60 days from the date of this Order shall remain valid for 60 days from the date of this Order.
- 6) The deadline specified in Title 5, California Code of Regulations, sections 30023(c)(2) and 30023(c)(4), to verify the minimum grade point average of applicants for Cal Grants for the 2020-21 academic year pursuant to Education Code Sections 69434(b), 69435.3(a)(1), and 69436(b) is extended to September 2, 2020. Additionally, the certification requirements specified in Title 5, California Code of Regulations, section 30023(c)(1) are waived for applicants whose

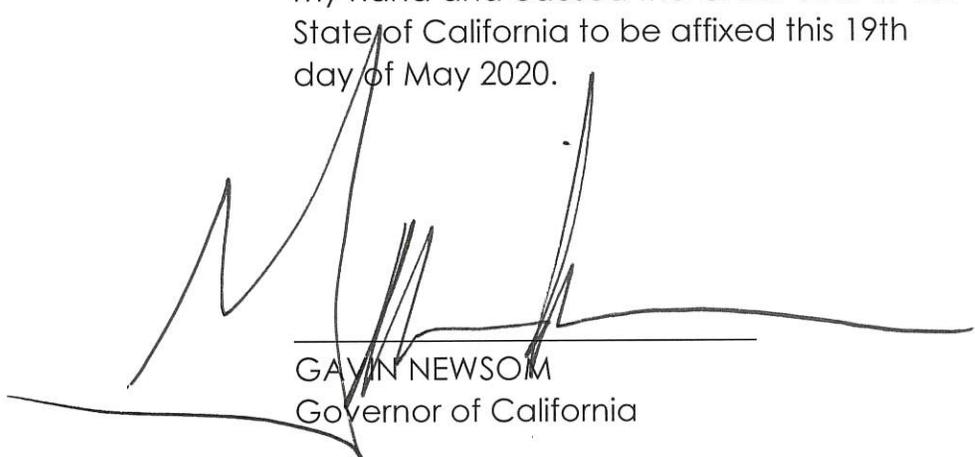
verification of the minimum grade point average is submitted pursuant to the September 2, 2020 deadline specified above.

- 7) The requirement in Education Code Sections 69433.9 and 69400 and any accompanying regulations or formal policy to verify Selective Service registration is waived for applicants eligible for Cal Grants pursuant to Education Code section 69508.5 for the grants received for the 2019-20 and 2020-21 academic years.
- 8) The timeframe set forth in Executive Order N-35-20, Paragraph 7, is extended for an additional 60 days from the date of this Order.
- 9) The timeframe set forth in Executive Order N-35-20, Paragraph 8, is extended for an additional 60 days from the date of this Order.
- 10) The timeframe set forth in Executive Order N-35-20, Paragraph 11, is extended for an additional 60 days from the date of this Order
- 11) The timeframe set forth in Executive Order N-35-20, Paragraph 12, is extended for an additional 60 days from the date of this Order.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that, as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 19th day of May 2020.



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GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State