

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
FOR THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
GRUNDY COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

Standing in the Word Ministries, an Illinois)	
Non-Profit Corporation, and PASTOR Richard)	
Giovennatti an individual,)	
)	2020CH23
Plaintiffs,)	
)	
vs.)	Case No. 2020-CH-_____
)	
Sheriff Ken Briley of Grundy County, IL, in his)	
Official capacity; State's Attorney Jason Heland of)	
Grundy County, IL; in his official capacity)	
)	
Defendants.)	

**VERIFIED COMPLAINT FOR DECLARATORY
JUDGMENT AND INJUNCTIVE RELIEF**

COMES NOW Plaintiff, STANDING IN THE WORD MINISTRIES CHURCH (hereinafter referred to as "PLAINTIFF" or "CHURCH"), an Illinois Non-Profit Corporation, and Pastor RICHARD GIOVENNATTI ("PASTOR"), in their individual capacities,, by and through their attorneys, David J. Shestokas, and for their Verified Complaint for Declaratory Judgment and Injunctive Relief against Defendants, Sheriff Ken Briley of Grundy County, IL (hereinafter referred to as "SHERIFF"), in his official capacity, and State's Attorney Jason Heland of Grundy County, IL (hereinafter referred to as "STATE'S ATTORNEY") in his official capacity, and hereby allege as follows:

1. PLAINTIFF CHURCH is an evangelical Christian church, organized as an Illinois not-for-profit corporation, and is located in Grundy, County. Its principal asset is a church building located at 2480 N ST RT 47, Morris, IL 60450.
2. At all times material hereto, PASTOR was pastor of the PLAINTIFF and a resident of Grundy County, IL.

3. Plaintiffs bring this cause on their own behalf and on behalf of their congregants.

4. Defendant SHERIFF is the Sheriff of Grundy, County, and is responsible for enforcing Illinois law in said County. He is sued in his official capacity.

5. Defendant STATE'S ATTORNEY is the State's Attorney of Grundy, County, and is responsible for prosecuting violations of Illinois law in said County. He is sued in his official capacity.

FACTS COMMON TO ALL COUNTS

The Importance of Meeting Physically as a Congregation

6. Among other beliefs, Plaintiffs believe that the Bible is the infallible Word of God. The Bible is the completed revelation of God for mankind, and is the final authority for all Christian faith and practice. See 2 Timothy 3:15-17, Psalms 19:7-11.

7. PASTOR has presided over Sunday religious services at the PLAINTIFF, as well as other religious services, to which all members of the PLAINTIFF are invited and strongly encouraged to attend. The services have been held for over 30 years in the CHURCH's building in Morris, Illinois. Approximately 60 people attend Sunday services at the CHURCH's building, in the sanctuary which has 5,000 square feet dedicated for services.

8. These weekly Sunday services include the proclamation of portions of Scripture by PASTOR to the assembled congregation; a message preached on the chosen scriptural passage by PASTOR to the assembled congregation; oral proclamation of prayers by both PASTOR and the assembled congregation; communal singing of praise and worship by PASTOR and the assembled congregation; and collection of the congregation's tithes and offerings.

9. Prior to the closure of Illinois churches as described herein, after each Sunday service typically the assembled members of the congregation would meet and greet each other to build fellowship and morale individually and collectively. This, of course, strengthened the ties between individual members, and allowed the members to minister to each other physically and psychologically.

10. The weekly Sunday worship and prayer services, together with the opportunity to minister to each other informally, are central to the CHURCH congregation. See Hebrews 10:24-25 (“And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another – and all the more as you see the Day approaching.”). The congregation cannot truly worship at home without forfeiting many of the spiritual and religious benefits and comforts they received from PLAINTIFFS and each other.

11. In addition to his duties as worship leader and preacher, PASTOR has also engaged in visits to and meetings with his congregants and community members for the purpose of prayer and spiritual counseling and support. See Matthew 18:20 (“For where two or three are gathered in my name, there I am in the midst of them”).

12. In today’s crisis, with many in Grundy County and surrounding areas out of work and suffering other economic, psychological or emotional distress, PASTOR’s spiritual visits and counseling are necessary to the health and well-being of the community. For a father out of work, a young person at risk for suicide, or a mom dealing with substance abuse, a virtual meeting is simply inadequate.

13. In his thirty years of experience, PASTOR has found such personal, spiritual counseling to be most effective for many members of his congregation as a prelude to or in the aftermath of the joint services of the entire congregation.

14. PASTOR's organization of Sunday services, his role as senior pastor and preacher, and his prayer and spiritual counseling visits and meetings are central functions of his leadership of the CHURCH. PASTOR believes and teaches these functions are scripturally mandated by anyone claiming to hold the office of pastor of a Christian congregation. They are, therefore, religiously required for PASTOR to perform.

15. These religiously required functions have been interrupted by fear of sanction and punishment since the issuance of certain executive orders by Illinois Governor J. B. PRITZKER (hereinafter "PRITZKER")

16. In the performance of the essential religiously required pastoral and religious duties PLAINTIFFS recognize the need to conduct services and exercise duties responsibly in consideration of the physical health and well-being of the congregants.

17. To that end, in preparation for the resumption of services CHURCH and PASTOR have engaged in a sanitation of the facilities and the establishment of policies for conduct of services to protect the health and well-being of the congregants. The policies are attached as Exhibit A.

COUNT I

DECLARATORY JUDGMENT THAT PRITZKER EXCEEDED HIS EMERGENCY POWER AUTHORITY GRANTED BY THE IEMAA

18. Plaintiffs adopt and incorporate by reference their allegations for paragraphs 1-17 above as their allegations for paragraph 18 of this Count I.

19. On March 09, 2020, PRITZKER issued a proclamation declaring, as of that date, a disaster existed within Illinois. (See Exhibit 1 hereinafter referred to as the “March 09 Proclamation.”)

20. PRITZKER issued the proclamation pursuant to the authority granted him under the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act. (See Section 1 of the March 09 Proclamation.) (See also 20 ILCS 330 5/1 *et seq.* which is hereinafter referred to as the “IEMAA.”)

21. The IEMAA states: “In the event of a disaster, as defined in Section 4, the Governor may by proclamation declare that a disaster exists.” (See 20 ILCS 3305/7).

22. Section 4 of the IEMAA defines a disaster as follows:

"Disaster" means an occurrence or threat of widespread or severe damage, injury or loss of life or property resulting from any natural or technological cause, including but not limited to fire, flood, earthquake, wind, storm, hazardous materials spill or other water contamination requiring emergency action to avert danger or damage, epidemic, air contamination, blight, extended periods of severe and inclement weather, drought, infestation, critical shortages of essential fuels and energy, explosion, riot, hostile military or paramilitary action, public health emergencies, or acts of domestic terrorism. (See 20 ILCS 3305/4) (emphasis added).

23. PRITZKER determined the COVID-19 pandemic to be a “public health emergency” (See the March 09 Proclamation).

24. As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, PRITZKER declared all 102 counties within Illinois a disaster area (see Section 1 of March 09 Proclamation).

25. Subsequent to a disaster proclamation, the IEMAA confers specific enumerated powers upon the Governor of the State of Illinois (see 20 ILCS 3305/2(a)(2)).

26. Among those enumerated powers are thirteen (13) emergency powers as provided in section 7 of the IEMAA (see 20 ILCS 3305/7).

27. Section 7 of the IEMAA expressly states: “Upon such proclamation, the Governor shall have and may exercise for a period not to exceed 30 days the following emergency powers... (See 20 ILCS 3305/7.)

28. This 30-day limit is the only time limit imposed upon PRITZKER’s emergency powers by IEMAA.

29. Pursuant to the statutory authority granted PRITZKER by 20 ILCS 3305/7 as the result of his March 09 Disaster Proclamation, PRITZKER on March 20, 2020 issued Executive Order 2020-10 (hereinafter referred to as the “March 20 Executive Order”) (see attached Exhibit 2). This Order, *inter alia*, aside for specific exceptions directed “all individuals currently living within the State of Illinois . . . to stay at home or at their place of residence. . .” This Executive Order, therefore, limited Plaintiff’s, and all persons similarly situated, constitutionally protected *(freedom of Assembly, freedom of Speech, freedom of Religion, and the members of the Plaintiff’s congregation to movement to leave their homes and engage in lawful and productive activities)** (see Section 1 of the March 20 Executive Order).

30. The March 20 Executive Order on its face was effective from March 21, 2020 through April 07, 2020 (see the “therefore” clause of the March 20 Executive Order).

31. Six days before the expiration of the March 20 Executive Order (i.e., on April 01, 2020), PRITZKER issued a second proclamation (hereinafter referred to as the “April 01 Proclamation”) (see Exhibit 3).

32. A new disaster did not trigger the April 01 Proclamation. Rather, PRITZKER declared the COVID-19 pandemic to be a “continuing public health emergency.”

33. Also on April 01, 2020, PRITZKER issued Executive Order 2020-18 (hereinafter referred to as the “April 01 Executive Order”) (see attached Exhibit 4). In this Executive Order, PRITZKER specifically acknowledged that the March 09 Proclamation and the April 01 Proclamation were both in direct response to the same COVID-19 pandemic.

34. The April 01 Executive Order, *inter alia*, extended the duration of the March 20 Executive Order until April 30, 2020 (see the April 01 Executive Order.)

35. As a direct result of the April 01 Executive Order, PRITZKER acted to restrain Plaintiffs, and all Illinois churches and persons similarly situated, from exercising their freedoms hereafter enumerated and also restricted the members of the Plaintiff’s congregation from leaving their homes and restricting the activities for which they might engage for a period of time from March 21, 2020 until April 30, 2020 as direct result of the COVID-19 pandemic which was declared a disaster on March 09, 2020.

36. On April 30, 2012, PRITZKER issued his third Proclamation (hereafter “April 30 Proclamation” attached as Exhibit 5) again declaring all counties in Illinois to be a disaster area because of the same COVID-19 epidemic (see Section 1 on page 5). The April 30 Proclamation was declared effective immediately and was to remain in effect for 30 days (May 29, 2020) (see Section 11 on page 6).

37. On the same date, PRITZKER issued another Executive Order (2020-32) pertaining to the COVID-19 crisis (see attached Exhibit 6). In this Executive Order, PRITZKER decreed that all individuals living in the State of Illinois must stay at home except for “essential activities” (health and safety, necessary supplies and services, outdoor activity, working on

“essential products and services” at “Essential Businesses or Operations”, taking care of others, and engaging in the free exercise of religion) (see Section 2, para. 5(iv)). PRITZKER further ordered “non-essential” businesses to remain closed except for “minimum basic operations,” which include working from home (see Section 2, para. 2). This Executive Order affecting the freedoms of Plaintiffs and Plaintiff’s congregation has a beginning date (May 1), but does not have a specific termination date.

38. In his March 20, April 1 and April 30 Executive Orders as detailed above, PRITZKER restricted the freedom of Plaintiffs, Plaintiffs’ congregation, and all similarly situated Illinois churches and individuals to engage in constitutionally permitted activities, as alleged below, and restricted the activities they might lawfully engage in within the entire State of Illinois, and further mandated all non-essential business to close, specifically including the Plaintiff’s corporation and other non-profit organizations duly created in the State of Illinois.

39. PRITZKER must have constitutional or statutory authority to issue such an executive order that invokes the police powers of the State.

40. PRITZKER as the leader of the executive branch of government can only wield police power granted him under the Illinois Constitution, or those expressly delegated to him by the legislature.

41. In the March 09, April 01, and April 30 Executive Orders, PRITZKER declares his authority to enter such orders pursuant to the Illinois Constitution and Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act (“IEMAA”).

42. The Illinois Constitution does not grant police power to protect public health to the Governor or the executive branch.

43. PRITZKER had limited authority under the IEMAA to restrict Plaintiffs, and all churches and citizens similarly situated, from the freedoms guaranteed below by the Illinois Constitution.

44. The IEMAA is unambiguous in that it limits PRITZKER's authority to utilize the emergency order provision of section 7 of the IEMAA for a period of time *not to exceed* 30-days from the date of the declaration of the disaster.

45. Given the proclamation of the COVID-19 disaster was March 09, 2020, the March 20 executive order was as a matter of law required to lapse on or before April 08, 2020.

46. On April 01, 2020 PRITZKER issued the April 01 proclamation, wherein he declared COVID-19 to be a "continuing disaster."

47. There is no provision in the IEMAA that recognizes a "continuing" disaster or permits an extension of a disaster declaration (with its attendant powers) beyond 30 days.

48. The "continuing" disaster that was proclaimed on April 01 and April 30, and which was the subject of the March 20, April 01 and April 30 Executive Orders, was unequivocally the same disaster which was declared on March 09, 2020.

49. Under the color of authority granted him by the IEMAA, PRITZKER, utilized the emergency powers for more than 30 days from the declaration of disaster resulting from the COVID-19 virus which was proclaimed on March 09, 2020.

50. Similarly, in the April 30 Proclamation and Executive Order, PRITZKER, again citing the IMEAA, extended to May 29 the somewhat relaxed "stay at home" order initially announced on March 20, 2020.

51. It is readily apparent PRITZKER is arbitrarily issuing serial proclamations acknowledging the same COVID-19 virus as a "continuing disaster" for the sole purpose of

rendering meaningless the express statutory 30-day limitation placed on his emergency powers in section 7 of IMCAA, 20 ILCS 3305/7.

52. PLAINTIFFS' assert that PRITZKER can only issue emergency executive orders within the confines of his express authority delegated to him by the legislature under the IMCAA and that orders outside those confines are *ultra vires* and without force and effect.

53. Within Grundy County, Defendants SHERIFF and STATE'S ATTORNEY are charged with the enforcement and prosecution of alleged violations of PRITZKER'S *ultra vires* executive orders.

54. A controversy exists in regard to the authority of PRITZKER to issue and the duty of Defendants SHERIFF and STATE'S ATTORNEY to enforce emergency orders under the IMCAA for more than 30 days as a result of one occurrence of a disaster being the COVID-19 pandemic that began March 09, 2020.

55. An immediate and definitive determination is necessary to clarify the rights and interests of the PLAINTIFFS in relation to Defendants.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs, CHURCH and PASTOR, herein request that this Honorable Court enter an Order:

A. Declaring that at all times relevant hereto, there has been only one disaster, that being COVID-19.

B. Declaring that PRITZKER proclaimed the COVID-19 pandemic to be a state-wide disaster on March 09, 2019;

C. Declaring the April 01 Proclamation was acknowledging the same COVID-19 disaster that was declared on March 09, 2020.

D. Declaring that the April 30 Proclamation acknowledged the same COVID-19 disaster proclaimed on March 09, 2020 and April 01, 2020.

E. Declaring the emergency powers granted PRITZKER as a result of the March 09 Proclamation lapsed on April 08, 2020.

F. Declaring the emergency powers of section 7 of the IEMAA in the March 20 Executive Order lapsed at the end of April 07, 2020 on their own terms;

G. Declaring that PRITZKER's April 01 Executive Order, extending the effective date of his March 20 Executive Order until April 30, 2020, as it relates to the exercise of emergency powers under section 7 of the IEMAA, was in excess of the authority granted him under IEMAA;

H. Declaring that PRITZKER's April 30 Executive Order, extending the effective date of many of the provisions of the March 20 Executive Order until May 29, 2020, as it relates to the exercise of emergency powers under section 7 of the IEMAA, was in excess of the authority granted him under IEMAA;

I. Declaring that any further effort at exercise by PRITZKER of the emergency powers enumerated within section 7 of the IEMAA, or orders issued purporting to rely upon such powers are void ab initio; and as a result Defendant SHERIFF is without authority to enforce such orders and Defendant STATE'S ATTORNEY is without authority to prosecute any alleged violation arising from such orders,

J. Awarding the Plaintiff its costs incurred in this matter as may be allowed by law; and

K. Granting such other and further relief as is just and proper.

COUNT II

REQUEST FOR INJUNCTIVE RELIEF FOR STATUTORY VIOLATION

56. Plaintiff restates and incorporates by reference paragraphs 1-55 as its allegations in paragraph 56, as though fully set forth herein.

57. CHURCH and PASTOR, have a right to insist PRITZKER's executive orders are lawful and enforceable under the U.S. Constitution, Illinois Constitution and Illinois Statutes.

58. CHURCH and PASTOR, have no adequate remedy at law to prohibit SHERIFF and STATE'S ATTORNEY from enforcing the March 20, April 01 and April 30 Executive Orders, or any subsequent order issued with substantively the same restrictions, against them absent an injunction from this Court ordering the same.

59. CHURCH and PASTOR are being irreparably harmed each and every day they continue to be limited in otherwise lawful activities, for fear of enforcement of the *ultra vires* orders issued by PRITZKER.

60. There is a reasonable likelihood of success on the merits because of the express limitation on PRITZKER's power to declare a disaster, and take action for a period ***not to exceed 30 days***.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs, CHURCH and PASTOR pray that this Court enter judgment in their favor and find and declare that:

A. Finding that Plaintiffs CHURCH and PASTOR have a right to insist that the PRITZKER March 20, April 01 and April 30 Executive Orders, and any subsequent order issued with substantively the same restrictions, must have been issued within the authority delegated by the legislature and within any authority granted him from the Constitution.

B. Finding Plaintiffs, CHURCH and PASTOR, are irreparably harmed each day they are subjected to the March 20, April 01 and April 30 Executive Orders, and any subsequent order issued with substantively the same restrictions, relative to this cause.

C. Finding Plaintiffs, CHURCH and PASTOR, have no adequate remedy at law to protect their rights against the *ultra vires* March 20, April 01 and April 30 Executive Orders, and any subsequent order issued with substantively the same restrictions, issued by PRITZKER other than injunctive relief from the enforcement of such *ultra vires* orders.

D. Finding Plaintiffs, CHURCH and PASTOR, have a likelihood of success on the merits in that the March 20, April 01 and April 30 Executive Orders, and any subsequent order issued with substantively the same restrictions, are beyond the statutory or constitutional authority of PRITZKER.

E. Finding Plaintiffs, CHURCH and PASTOR, have a likelihood of success on the merits in that Section 1 of March 20 Executive Order lapsed on April 8, 2020 pursuant to 20 ILCS 3305/7.

F. Enter an injunction permanently enjoining SHERIFF and STATE'S ATTORNEY or anyone under their authority, from enforcing the March 20, April 01 and April 30 Executive Orders, and any subsequent order issued with substantively the same restrictions, against Plaintiffs, from this date forward.

G. For such other relief as this Court deems just and proper.

COUNT III

REQUEST FOR INJUNCTIVE RELIEF FOR VIOLATION OF ARTICLE 1, SECTION 3 OF THE ILLINOIS CONSTITUTION – FREE EXERCISE

61. Plaintiffs adopt and incorporate by reference paragraphs 1-60 above as paragraph 61 of this Count III as though fully set forth herein.

62. Plaintiffs' religious activities are protected by the Free Exercise Clause of Article 1, Section 3 of the Illinois Constitution:

The free exercise and enjoyment of religious profession and worship, without discrimination, shall forever be guaranteed, and no person shall be denied any civil or political right, privilege or capacity, on account of his religious opinions; but the liberty of conscience hereby secured shall not be construed to dispense with oaths or affirmations, excuse acts of licentiousness, or justify practices inconsistent with the peace or safety of the State. No person shall be required to attend or support any ministry or place of worship against his consent, nor shall any preference be given by law to any religious denomination or mode of worship.

63. The action of SHERIFF and STATE'S ATTORNEY in enforcing the March 20, April 01 and April 30 Executive Orders, or any subsequent order issued with substantively the same restrictions, interferes with Plaintiffs' free exercise by limiting substantially any religious activity in the church building and otherwise prohibiting and interfering with the Church's religious practices.

64. The March 20, April 01 and April 30 Executive Orders interfere with Plaintiffs' ability to carry out their religious doctrine, faith, and mission.

65. The March 20, April 01 and April 30 Executive Orders do not serve any compelling government interest and are not narrowly tailored to accomplish any government interest, compelling or otherwise, in the least restrictive manner.

66. The March 20, April 01 and April 30 Executive Orders violate the Free Exercise Clause of the Illinois Constitution, on their face and as applied to Plaintiffs.

67. Plaintiffs have no adequate remedy at law and will suffer serious and irreparable harm to their constitutional rights unless Defendants are enjoined from implementing and enforcing the notice and orders.

COUNT IV

REQUEST FOR INJUNCTIVE RELIEF FOR VIOLATION OF ARTICLE 1, SECTION 4 OF THE ILLINOIS CONSTITUTION – FREE SPEECH

68. Plaintiffs adopt and incorporate by reference paragraphs 1-67 above as paragraph 68 of this Count IV as though fully set forth herein.

69. Plaintiffs' rights to speak freely are protected by the Free Speech clause of Article 1, Section 3 of the Illinois Constitution:

All persons may speak, write and publish freely, being responsible for the abuse of that liberty. In trials for libel, both civil and criminal, the truth, when published with good motives and for justifiable ends, shall be a sufficient defense.

70. The March 20, April 01 and April 30 Executive Orders interfere with Plaintiffs' free speech by targeting and burdening their religious expression, including prohibiting any communal prayer and singing.

71. The March 20, April 01 and April 30 Executive Orders do not serve any compelling government interest, and are not narrowly tailored to accomplish any government interest, compelling or otherwise, in the least restrictive manner.

72. The March 20, April 01 and April 30 Executive Orders are not valid time, place, or manner restrictions on Plaintiffs' speech because they burden substantially more speech than

necessary to achieve the government's interests and do not leave open ample alternative channels of communication.

73. The March 20, April 01 and April 30 Executive Orders violate the Free Speech Clause of the Illinois Constitution both on their face and as applied to Plaintiffs.

74. Plaintiffs have no adequate remedy at law and will suffer serious and irreparable harm to their constitutional rights unless Defendants are enjoined from implementing and enforcing the notice and orders.

COUNT V

REQUEST FOR INJUNCTIVE RELIEF FOR VIOLATION OF ARTICLE 1, SECTION 5 OF THE ILLINOIS CONSTITUTION – FREEDOM TO ASSEMBLE

75. Plaintiffs adopt and incorporate by reference paragraphs 1-74 above as paragraph 75 of this Count V as though fully set forth herein.

76. Plaintiffs' rights to peaceably assemble are protected by the Freedom to Assemble clause of Article 1, Section 5 of the Illinois Constitution:

The people have the right to assemble in a peaceable manner, to consult for the common good, to make known their opinions to their representatives and to apply for redress of grievances.

77. The March 20, April 01 and April 30 Executive Orders interfere with Plaintiffs' freedom to peaceably assemble by prohibiting any communal activity in the church building.

78. The March 20, April 01 and April 30 Executive Orders do not serve any compelling government interest, and are not narrowly tailored to accomplish any government interest, compelling or otherwise, in the least restrictive manner.

79. The March 20, April 01 and April 30 Executive Orders violate the Freedom to Assemble Clause of the Illinois Constitution both on their face and as applied to the Plaintiffs.

80. Plaintiffs have no adequate remedy at law and will suffer serious and irreparable harm to their constitutional rights unless Defendants are enjoined from implementing and enforcing the notice and orders.

COUNT VI

REQUEST FOR INJUNCTIVE RELIEF FOR VIOLATION OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION – AMENDMENT I

81. Plaintiffs adopt and incorporate by reference paragraphs 1-80 above as paragraph 81 of this Count VI as though fully set forth herein.

82. Plaintiffs' religious exercise, freedom of speech and freedom of assembly are protected by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution:

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

83. The First Amendment to the United States Constitution is made applicable to the States through incorporation by the Fourteenth Amendment.

84. The action of SHERIFF and STATE'S ATTORNEY in enforcing the March 20, April 01 and April 30 Executive Orders, or any subsequent order issued with substantively the same restrictions, interferes with Plaintiffs' First Amendment rights to religious exercise, freely speak and assemble by limiting substantially any religious activity in the church building, in person exchange of speech and expression and numerical limits on assembly and otherwise prohibiting and interfering with the Church's religious practices.

85. The March 20, April 01 and April 30 Executive Orders interfere with Plaintiffs' ability to carry out their religious doctrine, faith, and mission, the in-person exchange of ideas and for Plaintiffs' congregants to assemble.

86. The March 20, April 01 and April 30 Executive Orders do not serve any compelling government interest and are not narrowly tailored to accomplish any government interest, compelling or otherwise, in the least restrictive manner.

87. The March 20, April 01 and April 30 Executive Orders violate the First Amendment to the United States Constitution, on their face and as applied to Plaintiffs.

88. The first ten Amendments to the United States Constitution are commonly known as the Bill of Rights and no “emergency exception” is found in the Bill of Rights.

89. America’s Founders carefully constructed the Constitution to provide both legal emphasis and a message to posterity.

90. The First Freedom found in the Bill of Rights is the Freedom of Religion.

91. Plaintiffs have no adequate remedy at law and will suffer serious and irreparable harm to their constitutional rights unless Defendants are enjoined from implementing and enforcing the notice and orders.

COUNT VII

REQUEST FOR INJUNCTIVE RELIEF FOR VIOLATION OF ILLINOIS RELIGIOUS FREEDOM RESTORATION ACT (775 ILCS 35)

92. Plaintiffs adopt and incorporate by reference paragraphs 1-91 above as paragraph 92 of this Count VI as though fully set forth herein.

93. Illinois’ Religious Freedom Restoration Act (“RFRA”) commands that Illinois government “may not substantially burden a person's exercise of religion, even if the burden results from a rule of general applicability, unless it demonstrates that application of the burden to the person (i) is in furtherance of a compelling governmental interest and (ii) is the least restrictive means of furthering that compelling governmental interest.” 775 ILCS 35/15.

94. Defendants, who are agents of Illinois government and therefore subject to the RFRA, through enforcement of PRITZKER'S Executive Orders substantially burden Plaintiffs' exercise of their religion without any valid justification.

95. The March 20, April 01 and April 30 Executive Orders do not further a compelling governmental interest, and are not the least restrictive means of furthering any governmental interest, compelling or otherwise.

95. Plaintiffs have no adequate remedy at law and will suffer serious and irreparable harm to their rights under RFRA unless Defendants are enjoined from implementing and enforcing the orders.

96. Pursuant to 775 ILCS 35/20, Plaintiffs are entitled to declaratory relief and temporary, preliminary, and permanent injunctive relief invalidating and restraining enforcement of the notice and orders.

97. Plaintiffs found it necessary to engage the services of private counsel to vindicate their rights under the law. Plaintiffs are therefore entitled to an award of attorneys' fees pursuant to 775 ILCS 35/20.

WHEREFORE, under Counts III, VI, and VII, Plaintiffs, CHURCH and PASTOR, pray for judgment in their favor against Defendants and ask that the Court grant:

A. A temporary restraining order restraining Defendants from preventing or interfering with communal religious activities at the Plaintiffs' church building and the pastoral activities of PASTOR wherever they occur;

B. A preliminary injunction restraining Defendants from preventing or interfering with communal religious activities at the Plaintiffs' church building and the pastoral activities of PASTOR wherever they occur;

C. A permanent injunction restraining Defendants from preventing or interfering with communal religious activities at the Plaintiffs' church building and the pastoral activities of PASTOR wherever they occur;

D. A declaration that the March 20, April 01 and April 30 Executive Orders are illegal and unconstitutional facially and as applied to Plaintiffs;

E. An award of nominal and actual damages against each of the Defendants;

F. An award of costs and reasonable attorneys' fees incurred in the prosecution of this action; and,

G. Any other relief the Court deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERIFICATION

Under penalties of perjury as provided by law pursuant to Section 1-109 of the Code of Civil Procedure, the undersigned certifies that the statements set forth in this instrument are true and correct except as to matters therein stated to be on information and belief, if any, and as to such matters the undersigned certifies as aforesaid that the undersigned verily believes the same to be true.

Date: May 28, 2020

Richard Giovannetti

EXHIBIT A



“Equipping and Empowering a Generation to Spiritually Confront a Nation”

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Guidelines for Church Opening

These are the precautions that we will be taking for the ministry.

1. Hand sanitizers will be available and used on people as they walk in the doors.
2. Ushers shall open the doors for the parishioners as they enter the building, so no one has to touch the door handle.
3. All surfaces shall be cleaned and disinfected prior to and after every service.
4. Masks shall be provided at the entryway for anyone who requests one.
5. Forehead thermometers have been purchased, and will be used on all persons as they enter the building. Anyone found to have a fever of over 100 degrees can be turned away.
6. All carpeting in the building has been steam cleaned.
7. All door knobs in the building and bathrooms will be disinfected before and after every service.
8. All chairs will be disinfected with antibacterial Fabreeze, or like product. This will also happen prior to and after every service.
9. Social distancing will be implemented by spacing chairs accordingly.
10. Nursery and children's church will be sanitized, and all toys have been cleaned and disinfected.

EXHIBIT 1

GUBERNATORIAL DISASTER PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, in late 2019, a new and significant outbreak of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) emerged in China; and,

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a novel severe acute respiratory illness that can spread among people through respiratory transmissions and present with symptoms similar to those of influenza; and,

WHEREAS, certain populations are at higher risk of experiencing more severe illness as a result of COVID-19, including older adults and people who have serious chronic medical conditions such as heart disease, diabetes, or lung disease; and,

WHEREAS, we are continuing our efforts to prepare for any eventuality given that this is a novel illness and given the known health risks it poses for the elderly and those with serious chronic medical conditions; and,

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a Public Health Emergency of International Concern on January 30, 2020, and the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services declared that COVID-19 presents a public health emergency on January 27, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization has reported 109,578 confirmed cases of COVID-19 and 3,809 deaths attributable to COVID-19 globally as of March 9, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, in response to the recent COVID-19 outbreaks in China, Iran, Italy and South Korea, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (“CDC”) has deemed it necessary to prohibit or restrict non-essential travel to or from those countries; and,

WHEREAS, the CDC has advised older travelers and those with chronic medical conditions to avoid nonessential travel, and has advised all travelers to exercise enhanced precautions; and,

WHEREAS, the CDC currently recommends community preparedness and everyday prevention measures be taken by all individuals and families in the United States, including voluntary home isolation when individuals are sick with respiratory symptoms, covering coughs and sneezes with a tissue, washing hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, use of alcohol-based hand sanitizers with at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not readily available, and routinely cleaning frequently touched surfaces and objects to increase community resilience and readiness for responding to an outbreak; and,

WHEREAS, a vaccine or drug is currently not available for COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, in communities with confirmed COVID-19 cases, the CDC currently recommends mitigation measures, including staying at home when sick, when a household member is sick with respiratory disease symptoms or when instructed to do so by public health officials or a health care provider and keeping away from others who are sick; and,

WHEREAS, despite efforts to contain COVID-19, the World Health Organization and the CDC indicate that it is expected to spread; and,

WHEREAS, there are currently 11 confirmed cases of COVID-19 and an additional 260 persons under investigation in Illinois; and,

WHEREAS, one of the confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Illinois has not been linked to any travel activity or to an already-confirmed COVID-19 case, which indicates community transmission in Illinois; and,

WHEREAS, based on the foregoing, the circumstances surrounding COVID-19 constitute a public health emergency under Section 4 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act; and,

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State of Illinois that the State will be prepared to address any disasters and, therefore, it is necessary and appropriate to make additional State resources available to ensure that the effects of COVID-19 are mitigated and minimized and that residents and visitors in the State remain safe and secure; and,

WHEREAS, this proclamation will assist Illinois agencies in coordinating State and Federal resources, including the Strategic National Stockpile of medicines and protective equipment, to support local governments in preparation for any action that may be necessary related to the potential impact of COVID-19 in the State of Illinois; and,

WHEREAS, these conditions provide legal justification under Section 7 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act for the issuance of a proclamation of disaster;

NOW, THEREFORE, in the interest of aiding the people of Illinois and the local governments responsible for ensuring public health and safety, I, JB Pritzker, Governor of the State of Illinois, hereby proclaim as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 7 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3305/7, I find that a disaster exists within the State of Illinois and specifically declare all counties in the State of Illinois as a disaster area.

Section 2. The Illinois Department of Public Health and the Illinois Emergency Management Agency are directed to coordinate with each other with respect to planning for and responding to the present public health emergency.

Section 3. The Illinois Department of Public Health is further directed to cooperate with the Governor, other State agencies and local authorities, including local public health authorities, in the development of strategies and plans to protect the public health in connection with the present public health emergency.

Section 4. The Illinois Emergency Management Agency is directed to implement the State Emergency Operations Plan to coordinate State resources to support local governments in disaster response and recovery operations.

Section 5. To aid with emergency purchases necessary for response and other emergency powers as authorized by the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, the provisions of the Illinois Procurement Code that would in any way prevent, hinder or delay necessary action in coping with the disaster are suspended to the extent they are not required by federal law. If necessary, and in accordance with Section 7(1) of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3305/7(1), the Governor may take appropriate executive action to suspend additional statutes, orders, rules, and regulations.

Section 6. Pursuant to Section 7(3) of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3305/7(3), this proclamation activates the Governor's authority, as necessary, to transfer the direction, personnel or functions of State departments and agencies or units thereof for the purpose of performing or facilitating emergency response programs.

Section 7. The Illinois Department of Public Health, Illinois Department of Insurance and the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services are directed to recommend, and, as appropriate, take necessary actions to ensure consumers do not face financial barriers in accessing diagnostic testing and treatment services for COVID-19.

Section 8. The Illinois State Board of Education is directed to recommend, and, as appropriate, take necessary actions to address chronic absenteeism due to transmission of COVID-19 and to alleviate any barriers to the use of e-learning during the effect of this proclamation that exist in the Illinois School Code, 105 ILCS 5/1-1 et. seq.

Section 9. Pursuant to Section 7(14) of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3305/7(14), increases in the selling price of goods or services, including medical supplies, protective equipment, medications and other commodities intended to assist in the prevention of or treatment and recovery of COVID-19, shall be prohibited in the State of Illinois while this proclamation is in effect:

Section 10. This proclamation can facilitate a request for Federal emergency and/or disaster assistance if a complete and comprehensive assessment of damage indicates that effective recovery is beyond the capabilities of the State and affected local governments.

Section 11. This proclamation shall be effective immediately and remain in effect for 30 days.

Issued by the Governor March 9, 2020

Filed by the Secretary of State March 9, 2020

EXHIBIT 2

March 20, 2020

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-10

EXECUTIVE ORDER IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19 **(COVID-19 EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 8)**

WHEREAS, I, JB Pritzker, Governor of Illinois, declared all counties in the State of Illinois as a disaster area on March 9, 2020 (Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation) in response to the outbreak of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19); and,

WHEREAS, in a short period of time, COVID-19 has rapidly spread throughout Illinois, 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 Illinois, and to ensure that our healthcare delivery system is capable of serving those who are sick, I find it necessary to take additional measures consistent with public health guidance to slow and stop the spread of COVID-19;

WHEREAS, COVID-19 has resulted in significant economic impact, including loss of income and wages, that threaten to undermine housing security and stability;

WHEREAS, the enforcement of eviction orders for residential premises is contrary to the interest of preserving public health and ensuring that individuals remain in their homes during this public health emergency;

THEREFORE, by the powers vested in me as the Governor of the State of Illinois, and pursuant to Sections 7(1), 7(2), 7(8), 7(10), and 7(12) of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3305, and consistent with the powers in public health laws, I hereby order the following, effective March 21, 2020 at 5:00 pm and for the remainder of the duration of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation, which currently extends through April 7, 2020:

Section 1. Stay at Home; Social Distancing Requirements; and Essential Businesses and Operations

1. **Stay at home or place of residence.** With exceptions as outlined below, all individuals currently living within the State of Illinois are ordered to stay at home or at their place of residence except as allowed in this Executive Order. To the extent individuals are using shared or outdoor spaces when outside their residence, they must at all times and as much as reasonably possible maintain social distancing of at least six feet from any other person, consistent with the Social Distancing Requirements set forth in this Executive Order. All persons may leave their homes or place of residence only for Essential Activities, Essential Governmental Functions, or to operate Essential Businesses and Operations, all as defined below.

Individuals experiencing homelessness are exempt from this directive, but are

strongly urged to obtain shelter, and governmental and other entities are strongly urged to make such shelter available as soon as possible and to the maximum extent practicable (and to use in their operation COVID-19 risk mitigation practices recommended by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH)). Individuals whose residences are unsafe or become unsafe, such as victims of domestic violence, are permitted and urged to leave their home and stay at a safe alternative location. For purposes of this Executive Order, homes or residences include hotels, motels, shared rental units, shelters, and similar facilities.

2. **Non-essential business and operations must cease.** All businesses and operations in the State, except Essential Businesses and Operations as defined below, are required to cease all activities within the State except Minimum Basic Operations, as defined below. For clarity, businesses may also continue operations consisting exclusively of employees or contractors performing activities at their own residences (i.e., working from home).

All Essential Businesses and Operations are encouraged to remain open. To the greatest extent feasible, Essential Businesses and Operations shall comply with Social Distancing Requirements as defined in this Executive Order, including by maintaining six-foot social distancing for both employees and members of the public at all times, including, but not limited to, when any customers are standing in line.

3. **Prohibited activities.** All public and private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a single household or living unit are prohibited, except for the limited purposes permitted by this Executive Order. Pursuant to current guidance from the CDC, any gathering of more than ten people is prohibited unless exempted by this Executive Order. Nothing in this Executive Order prohibits the gathering of members of a household or residence.

All places of public amusement, whether indoors or outdoors, including but not limited to, locations with amusement rides, carnivals, amusement parks, water parks, aquariums, zoos, museums, arcades, fairs, children's play centers, playgrounds, funplexes, theme parks, bowling alleys, movie and other theaters, concert and music halls, and country clubs or social clubs shall be closed to the public.

This Executive Order supersedes Section 2 of Executive Order 2020-07 (COVID-19 Executive Order No. 5), which prohibited gatherings of 50 people or more.

4. **Prohibited and permitted travel.** All travel, including, but not limited to, travel by automobile, motorcycle, scooter, bicycle, train, plane, or public transit, except Essential Travel and Essential Activities as defined herein, is prohibited. People riding on public transit must comply with Social Distancing Requirements to the greatest extent feasible. This Executive Order allows travel into or out of the State to maintain Essential Businesses and Operations and Minimum Basic Operations.
5. **Leaving the home for essential activities is permitted.** For purposes of this Executive Order, individuals may leave their residence only to perform any of the following Essential Activities:
 - a. For health and safety. To engage in activities or perform tasks essential to their health and safety, or to the health and safety of their family or

household members (including, but not limited to, pets), such as, by way of example only and without limitation, seeking emergency services, obtaining medical supplies or medication, or visiting a health care professional.

- b. For necessary supplies and services. To obtain necessary services or supplies for themselves and their family or household members, or to deliver those services or supplies to others, such as, by way of example only and without limitation, groceries and food, household consumer products, supplies they need to work from home, and products necessary to maintain the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences.
 - c. For outdoor activity. To engage in outdoor activity, provided the individuals comply with Social Distancing Requirements, as defined below, such as, by way of example and without limitation, walking, hiking, running, or biking. Individuals may go to public parks and open outdoor recreation areas. However, playgrounds may increase spread of COVID-19, and therefore shall be closed.
 - d. For certain types of work. To perform work providing essential products and services at Essential Businesses or Operations (which, as defined below, includes Healthcare and Public Health Operations, Human Services Operations, Essential Governmental Functions, and Essential Infrastructure) or to otherwise carry out activities specifically permitted in this Executive Order, including Minimum Basic Operations.
 - e. To take care of others. To care for a family member, friend, or pet in another household, and to transport family members, friends, or pets as allowed by this Executive Order.
6. **Elderly people and those who are vulnerable as a result of illness should take additional precautions.** People at high risk of severe illness from COVID-19, including elderly people and those who are sick, are urged to stay in their residence to the extent possible except as necessary to seek medical care. Nothing in this Executive Order prevents the Illinois Department of Public Health or local public health departments from issuing and enforcing isolation and quarantine orders pursuant to the Department of Public Health Act, 20 ILCS 2305.
7. **Healthcare and Public Health Operations.** For purposes of this Executive Order, individuals may leave their residence to work for or obtain services through Healthcare and Public Health Operations. Healthcare and Public Health Operations includes, but is not limited to: hospitals; clinics; dental offices; pharmacies; public health entities, including those that compile, model, analyze and communicate public health information; pharmaceutical, pharmacy, medical device and equipment, and biotechnology companies (including operations, research and development, manufacture, and supply chain); organizations collecting blood, platelets, plasma, and other necessary materials; licensed medical cannabis dispensaries and licensed cannabis cultivation centers; reproductive health care providers; eye care centers, including those that sell glasses and contact lenses; home healthcare services providers; mental health and substance use providers; other healthcare facilities and suppliers and providers of any related and/or ancillary healthcare services; and entities that transport and dispose of medical materials and remains.

Specifically included in Healthcare and Public Health Operations are manufacturers, technicians, logistics, and warehouse operators and distributors of medical equipment, personal protective equipment (PPE), medical gases, pharmaceuticals, blood and blood products, vaccines, testing materials, laboratory supplies, cleaning, sanitizing, disinfecting or sterilization supplies, and tissue and paper towel products.

Healthcare and Public Health Operations also includes veterinary care and all healthcare services provided to animals.

Healthcare and Public Health Operations shall be construed broadly to avoid any impacts to the delivery of healthcare, broadly defined. Healthcare and Public Health Operations does not include fitness and exercise gyms, spas, salons, barber shops, tattoo parlors, and similar facilities.

8. **Human Services Operations.** For purposes of this Executive Order, individuals may leave their residence to work for or obtain services at any Human Services Operations, including any provider funded by the Illinois Department of Human Services, Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, or Medicaid that is providing services to the public and including state-operated, institutional, or community-based settings providing human services to the public.
Human Services Operations includes, but is not limited to: long-term care facilities; all entities licensed pursuant to the Child Care Act, 225 ILCS 10, except for day care centers, day care homes, group day care homes, and day care centers licensed as specified in Section 12(s) of this Executive Order; residential settings and shelters for adults, seniors, children, and/or people with developmental disabilities, intellectual disabilities, substance use disorders, and/or mental illness; transitional facilities; home-based settings to provide services to individuals with physical, intellectual, and/or developmental disabilities, seniors, adults, and children; field offices that provide and help to determine eligibility for basic needs including food, cash assistance, medical coverage, child care, vocational services, rehabilitation services; developmental centers; adoption agencies; businesses that provide food, shelter, and social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged individuals, individuals with physical, intellectual, and/or developmental disabilities, or otherwise needy individuals.
Human Services Operations shall be construed broadly to avoid any impacts to the delivery of human services, broadly defined.

9. **Essential Infrastructure.** For purposes of this Executive Order, individuals may leave their residence to provide any services or perform any work necessary to offer, provision, operate, maintain and repair Essential Infrastructure.
Essential Infrastructure includes, but is not limited to: food production, distribution, and sale; construction (including, but not limited to, construction required in response to this public health emergency, hospital construction, construction of long-term care facilities, public works construction, and housing construction); building management and maintenance; airport operations; operation and maintenance of utilities, including water, sewer, and gas; electrical (including power generation, distribution, and production of raw materials); distribution centers; oil and biofuel refining; roads, highways, railroads, and public transportation; ports; cybersecurity operations; flood control; solid waste and recycling collection and

removal; and internet, video, and telecommunications systems (including the provision of essential global, national, and local infrastructure for computing services, business infrastructure, communications, and web-based services). Essential Infrastructure shall be construed broadly to avoid any impacts to essential infrastructure, broadly defined.

10. **Essential Governmental Functions.** For purposes of this Executive Order, all first responders, emergency management personnel, emergency dispatchers, court personnel, law enforcement and corrections personnel, hazardous materials responders, child protection and child welfare personnel, housing and shelter personnel, military, and other governmental employees working for or to support Essential Businesses and Operations are categorically exempt from this Executive Order.

Essential Government Functions means all services provided by the State or any municipal, township, county, subdivision or agency of government and needed to ensure the continuing operation of the government agencies or to provide for or support the health, safety and welfare of the public, and including contractors performing Essential Government Functions. Each government body shall determine its Essential Governmental Functions and identify employees and/or contractors necessary to the performance of those functions.

This Executive Order does not apply to the United States government. Nothing in this Executive Order shall prohibit any individual from performing or accessing Essential Governmental Functions.

11. **Businesses covered by this Executive Order.** For the purposes of this Executive Order, covered businesses include any for-profit, non-profit, or educational entities, regardless of the nature of the service, the function it performs, or its corporate or entity structure.

12. **Essential Businesses and Operations.** For the purposes of this Executive Order, Essential Businesses and Operations means Healthcare and Public Health Operations, Human Services Operations, Essential Governmental Functions, and Essential Infrastructure, and the following:

- a. Stores that sell groceries and medicine. Grocery stores, pharmacies, certified farmers' markets, farm and produce stands, supermarkets, convenience stores, and other establishments engaged in the retail sale of groceries, canned food, dry goods, frozen foods, fresh fruits and vegetables, pet supplies, fresh meats, fish, and poultry, alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages, and any other household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products). This includes stores that sell groceries, medicine, including medication not requiring a medical prescription, and also that sell other non-grocery products, and products necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences and Essential Businesses and Operations;
- b. Food, beverage, and cannabis production and agriculture. Food and beverage manufacturing, production, processing, and cultivation, including farming, livestock, fishing, baking, and other production agriculture, including cultivation, marketing, production, and distribution of animals and goods for consumption; licensed medical and adult use cannabis dispensaries and

licensed cannabis cultivation centers; and businesses that provide food, shelter, and other necessities of life for animals, including animal shelters, rescues, shelters, kennels, and adoption facilities;

- c. Organizations that provide charitable and social services. Businesses and religious and secular nonprofit organizations, including food banks, when providing food, shelter, and social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals, individuals who need assistance as a result of this emergency, and people with disabilities;
- d. Media. Newspapers, television, radio, and other media services;
- e. Gas stations and businesses needed for transportation. Gas stations and auto-supply, auto-repair, and related facilities and bicycle shops and related facilities;
- f. Financial institutions. Banks, currency exchanges, consumer lenders, including but not limited to, payday lenders, pawnbrokers, consumer installment lenders and sales finance lenders, credit unions, appraisers, title companies, financial markets, trading and futures exchanges, affiliates of financial institutions, entities that issue bonds, related financial institutions, and institutions selling financial products;
- g. Hardware and supply stores. Hardware stores and businesses that sell electrical, plumbing, and heating material;
- h. Critical trades. Building and Construction Tradesmen and Tradeswomen, and other trades including but not limited to plumbers, electricians, exterminators, cleaning and janitorial staff for commercial and governmental properties, security staff, operating engineers, HVAC, painting, moving and relocation services, and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences, Essential Activities, and Essential Businesses and Operations;
- i. Mail, post, shipping, logistics, delivery, and pick-up services. Post offices and other businesses that provide shipping and delivery services, and businesses that ship or deliver groceries, food, alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages, goods or services to end users or through commercial channels;
- j. Educational institutions. Educational institutions—including public and private pre-K-12 schools, colleges, and universities—for purposes of facilitating distance learning, performing critical research, or performing essential functions, provided that social distancing of six-feet per person is maintained to the greatest extent possible. This Executive Order is consistent with and does not amend or supersede Executive Order 2020-05 (COVID-19 Executive Order No. 3) or Executive Order 2020-06 (COVID-19 Executive Order No. 4) except that affected schools are ordered closed through April 7, 2020;
- k. Laundry services. Laundromats, dry cleaners, industrial laundry services, and laundry service providers;
- l. Restaurants for consumption off-premises. Restaurants and other facilities that prepare and serve food, but only for consumption off-premises, through such means as in-house delivery, third-party delivery, drive-through,

curbside pick-up, and carry-out. Schools and other entities that typically provide food services to students or members of the public may continue to do so under this Executive Order on the condition that the food is provided to students or members of the public on a pick-up and takeaway basis only. Schools and other entities that provide food services under this exemption shall not permit the food to be eaten at the site where it is provided, or at any other gathering site due to the virus's propensity to physically impact surfaces and personal property. This Executive Order is consistent with and does not amend or supersede Section 1 of Executive Order 2020-07 (COVID-19 Executive Order No. 5) except that Section 1 is ordered to be extended through April 7, 2020;

- m. Supplies to work from home. Businesses that sell, manufacture, or supply products needed for people to work from home;
- n. Supplies for Essential Businesses and Operations. Businesses that sell, manufacture, or supply other Essential Businesses and Operations with the support or materials necessary to operate, including computers, audio and video electronics, household appliances; IT and telecommunication equipment; hardware, paint, flat glass; electrical, plumbing and heating material; sanitary equipment; personal hygiene products; food, food additives, ingredients and components; medical and orthopedic equipment; optics and photography equipment; diagnostics, food and beverages, chemicals, soaps and detergent; and firearm and ammunition suppliers and retailers for purposes of safety and security;
- o. Transportation. Airlines, taxis, transportation network providers (such as Uber and Lyft), vehicle rental services, paratransit, and other private, public, and commercial transportation and logistics providers necessary for Essential Activities and other purposes expressly authorized in this Executive Order;
- p. Home-based care and services. Home-based care for adults, seniors, children, and/or people with developmental disabilities, intellectual disabilities, substance use disorders, and/or mental illness, including caregivers such as nannies who may travel to the child's home to provide care, and other in-home services including meal delivery;
- q. Residential facilities and shelters. Residential facilities and shelters for adults, seniors, children, and/or people with developmental disabilities, intellectual disabilities, substance use disorders, and/or mental illness;
- r. Professional services. Professional services, such as legal services, accounting services, insurance services, real estate services (including appraisal and title services);
- s. Day care centers for employees exempted by this Executive Order. Day care centers granted an emergency license pursuant to Title 89, Section 407.400 of the Illinois Administrative Code, governing Emergency Day Care Programs for children of employees exempted by this Executive Order to work as permitted. The licensing requirements for day care homes pursuant to Section 4 of the Child Care Act, 225 ILCS 10/4, are hereby suspended for

family homes that receive up to 6 children for the duration of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation.

- t. Manufacture, distribution, and supply chain for critical products and industries. Manufacturing companies, distributors, and supply chain companies producing and supplying essential products and services in and for industries such as pharmaceutical, technology, biotechnology, healthcare, chemicals and sanitization, waste pickup and disposal, agriculture, food and beverage, transportation, energy, steel and steel products, petroleum and fuel, mining, construction, national defense, communications, as well as products used by other Essential Businesses and Operations.
- u. Critical labor union functions. Labor Union essential activities including the administration of health and welfare funds and personnel checking on the well-being and safety of members providing services in Essential Businesses and Operations – provided that these checks should be done by telephone or remotely where possible.
- v. Hotels and motels. Hotels and motels, to the extent used for lodging and delivery or carry-out food services.
- w. Funeral services. Funeral, mortuary, cremation, burial, cemetery, and related services.

13. **Minimum Basic Operations.** For the purposes of this Executive Order, Minimum Basic Operations include the following, provided that employees comply with Social Distancing Requirements, to the extent possible, while carrying out such operations:

- a. The minimum necessary activities to maintain the value of the business's inventory, preserve the condition of the business's physical plant and equipment, ensure security, process payroll and employee benefits, or for related functions.
- b. The minimum necessary activities to facilitate employees of the business being able to continue to work remotely from their residences.

14. **Essential Travel.** For the purposes of this Executive Order, Essential Travel includes travel for any of the following purposes. Individuals engaged in any Essential Travel must comply with all Social Distancing Requirements as defined in this Section.

- a. Any travel related to the provision of or access to Essential Activities, Essential Governmental Functions, Essential Businesses and Operations, or Minimum Basic Operations.
- b. Travel to care for elderly, minors, dependents, persons with disabilities, or other vulnerable persons.
- c. Travel to or from educational institutions for purposes of receiving materials for distance learning, for receiving meals, and any other related services.
- d. Travel to return to a place of residence from outside the jurisdiction.
- e. Travel required by law enforcement or court order, including to transport children pursuant to a custody agreement.
- f. Travel required for non-residents to return to their place of residence outside the State. Individuals are strongly encouraged to verify that their

transportation out of the State remains available and functional prior to commencing such travel.

15. **Social Distancing Requirements.** For purposes of this Executive Order, Social Distancing Requirements includes maintaining at least six-foot social distancing from other individuals, washing hands with soap and water for at least twenty seconds as frequently as possible or using hand sanitizer, covering coughs or sneezes (into the sleeve or elbow, not hands), regularly cleaning high-touch surfaces, and not shaking hands.
 - a. Required measures. Essential Businesses and Operations and businesses engaged in Minimum Basic Operations must take proactive measures to ensure compliance with Social Distancing Requirements, including where possible:
 - i. Designate six-foot distances. Designating with signage, tape, or by other means six-foot spacing for employees and customers in line to maintain appropriate distance;
 - ii. Hand sanitizer and sanitizing products. Having hand sanitizer and sanitizing products readily available for employees and customers;
 - iii. Separate operating hours for vulnerable populations. Implementing separate operating hours for elderly and vulnerable customers; and
 - iv. Online and remote access. Posting online whether a facility is open and how best to reach the facility and continue services by phone or remotely.
16. **Intent of this Executive Order.** The intent of this Executive Order is to ensure that the maximum number of people self-isolate in their places of residence to the maximum extent feasible, while enabling essential services to continue, to slow the spread of COVID-19 to the greatest extent possible. When people need to leave their places of residence, whether to perform Essential Activities, or to otherwise facilitate authorized activities necessary for continuity of social and commercial life, they should at all times and as much as reasonably possible comply with Social Distancing Requirements. All provisions of this Executive Order should be interpreted to effectuate this intent.
17. **Enforcement.** This Executive Order may be enforced by State and local law enforcement pursuant to, inter alia, Section 7, Section 18, and Section 19 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3305.
18. **No limitation on authority.** Nothing in this Executive Order shall, in any way, alter or modify any existing legal authority allowing the State or any county, or local government body from ordering (1) any quarantine or isolation that may require an individual to remain inside a particular residential property or medical facility for a limited period of time, including the duration of this public health emergency, or (2) any closer of a specific location for a limited period of time, including the duration of this public health emergency. Nothing in this Executive Order shall, in any way, alter or modify any existing legal authority allowing a county or local government body to enact provisions that are stricter than those in this Executive Order.

Section 2. Order ceasing evictions.

Pursuant to the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3305/7(2), (8), and (10), all state, county, and local law enforcement officers in the State of Illinois are instructed to cease enforcement of orders of eviction for residential premises for the duration of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation. No provision contained in this Executive Order shall be construed as relieving any individual of the obligation to pay rent, to make mortgage payments, or to comply with any other obligation that an individual may have under tenancy or mortgage.

Section 3. Savings clause.

If any provision of this Executive Order or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, this invalidity does not affect any other provision or application of this Executive Order, which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application. To achieve this purpose, the provisions of this Executive Order are declared to be severable.

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Proclamation

WHEREAS, Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a novel severe acute respiratory illness that can spread among people through respiratory transmissions and present with symptoms similar to those of influenza; and,

WHEREAS, certain populations are at higher risk of experiencing more severe illness as a result of COVID-19, including older adults and people who have serious chronic medical conditions such as heart disease, diabetes, or lung disease; and,

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois is continuing its efforts to prepare for any eventuality given that this is a novel illness and given the known health risks it poses for the elderly and those with serious chronic medical conditions; and,

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a Public Health Emergency of International Concern on January 30, 2020, and the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services declared that COVID-19 presents a public health emergency on January 27, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization characterized the COVID-19 outbreak as a pandemic, and has reported more than 750,000 confirmed cases of COVID-19 and 36,500 deaths attributable to COVID-19 globally as of March 31, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) currently recommends that all United States residents take precautions to contain the spread of COVID-19, including that they: (1) practice social distancing by maintaining 6 feet of distance from others and avoiding all gatherings; (2) be alert for symptoms such as fever, cough, or shortness of breath, and take their temperature if symptoms develop; and (3) exercise appropriate hygiene, including covering coughs and sneezes with a tissue, washing hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, using of alcohol-based hand sanitizers with at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not readily available, and routinely cleaning frequently touched surfaces and objects to increase community resilience and readiness for responding to an outbreak; and,

WHEREAS, the CDC also recommends the following precautions for household members, caretakers and other persons having close contact with a person who is symptomatic, during the period from 48 hours before onset of symptoms until the symptomatic person meets the criteria for discontinuing home isolation: (1) stay home until 14 days after last exposure and maintain social distance (at least 6 feet) from others at all times; (2) self-monitor for symptoms, including checking their temperature twice a day and watching for fever, cough, or shortness of breath; and (3) avoid contact with people at higher risk for severe illness (unless they live in the same home and had the same exposure); and,

WHEREAS, a vaccine or drug is currently not available for COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, despite efforts to contain COVID-19, the World Health Organization and the CDC indicate that it is expected to continue spreading; and,

WHEREAS, as of March 31, 2020, there were 5,994 confirmed cases of COVID-19 and 99 deaths in Illinois resulting from COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, the outbreak of COVID-19 has resulted in significant negative economic impact, including loss of income and wages, that threatens to undermine housing security and stability and overall financial stability and security for individuals and businesses throughout Illinois; and,

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President declared a nationwide emergency pursuant to Section 501(b) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5207 (the "Stafford Act"), covering all states and territories, including Illinois; and,

WHEREAS, on March 26, 2020, the President declared a major disaster in Illinois pursuant to Section 401 of the Stafford Act; and,

WHEREAS, I, JB Pritzker, Governor of Illinois, declared all counties in the State of Illinois as a disaster area on March 9, 2020 in response to the outbreak of COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, based on the foregoing, the circumstances surrounding COVID-19 constitute a continuing public health emergency under Section 4 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act; and,

WHEREAS, the circumstances surrounding COVID-19 have resulted in the occurrence and threat of widespread and severe damage, injury, and loss of life and property under Section 4 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act; and,

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State of Illinois that the State will be prepared to address any disasters and, therefore, it is necessary and appropriate to make additional State resources available to ensure that the effects of COVID-19 are mitigated and minimized to the greatest extent possible and that Illinoisans remain safe and secure; and,

WHEREAS, this proclamation will assist Illinois agencies in coordinating State and Federal resources, including the Strategic National Stockpile of medicines and protective equipment, to support local governments in preparation for any action that may be necessary related to the potential impact of COVID-19 in the State of Illinois; and,

WHEREAS, these conditions provide legal justification under Section 7 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act for the issuance of a proclamation of disaster;

NOW, THEREFORE, in the interest of aiding the people of Illinois and the local governments responsible for ensuring public health and safety, I, JB Pritzker, Governor of the State of Illinois, hereby proclaim as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 7 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3305/7, I find that a continuing disaster exists within the State of Illinois and specifically declare all counties in the State of Illinois as a disaster area. This proclamation continues the Governor's authority to exercise all of the emergency powers provided in Section 7 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20, ILCS 3305/7, including but not limited to those specific emergency powers set forth below.

Section 2. The Illinois Department of Public Health and the Illinois Emergency Management Agency are directed to continue to coordinate with each other with respect to planning for and responding to the present public health emergency.

Section 3. The Illinois Department of Public Health is further directed to continue to cooperate with the Governor, other State agencies and local authorities, including local public health authorities, in the development and implementation of strategies and plans to protect the public health in connection with the present public health emergency.

Section 4. The Illinois Emergency Management Agency is directed to continue to implement the State Emergency Operations Plan to coordinate State resources to support local governments in disaster response and recovery operations.

Section 5. To aid with emergency purchases necessary for response and other emergency powers as authorized by the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act; the provisions of the Illinois

Procurement Code that would in any way prevent, hinder or delay necessary action in coping with the disaster are suspended to the extent they are not required by federal law. If necessary, and in accordance with Section 7(1) of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3305/7(1), the Governor may take appropriate executive action to suspend additional statutes, orders, rules, and regulations.

Section 6. Pursuant to Section 7(3) of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3305/7(3), this proclamation continues the Governor's authority, as necessary, to transfer the direction, personnel or functions of State departments and agencies or units thereof for the purpose of performing or facilitating emergency response programs.

Section 7. The Illinois Department of Public Health, Illinois Department of Insurance and the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services are directed to continue to recommend, and, as appropriate, take necessary actions to ensure consumers do not face financial barriers in accessing diagnostic testing and treatment services for COVID-19.

Section 8. The Illinois State Board of Education is directed to continue to recommend, and, as appropriate, take necessary actions to address chronic absenteeism due to transmission of COVID-19 and to alleviate any barriers to the use of e-learning during the effect of this proclamation that exist in the Illinois School Code, 105 ILCS 5/1-1 et. seq.

Section 9. All State agencies are directed to cooperate with the Governor, other State agencies and local authorities in the development and implementation of strategies and plans to cope with and recover from the economic impact of COVID-19.

Section 10. Pursuant to Section 7(14) of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3305/7(14), increases in the selling price of goods or services, including medical supplies, protective equipment, medications and other commodities intended to assist in the prevention of or treatment and recovery of COVID-19, shall be prohibited in the State of Illinois while this proclamation is in effect.

Section 11. This proclamation can facilitate requests for federal emergency and/or disaster assistance if a complete and comprehensive assessment of damage indicates that effective recovery is beyond the capabilities of the State and affected local governments.

Section 12. This proclamation shall be effective immediately and remain in effect for 30 days.

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Illinois to be affixed.



Done at the Capitol in the City of Springfield this first day of April in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and twenty, and the State of Illinois two hundred and second.

Doree White

Secretary of State

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Governor

EXHIBIT 4

April 1, 2020

Executive Order 2020-18

EXECUTIVE ORDER IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19 **(COVID-19 EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 16)**

WHEREAS, Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) is a novel severe acute respiratory illness that can spread among people through respiratory transmissions and present with symptoms similar to those of influenza; and,

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization characterized the COVID-19 outbreak as a pandemic; and,

WHEREAS, despite efforts to contain COVID-19, the World Health Organization (WHO) and the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) have declared that it is expected to spread; and,

WHEREAS, certain populations are at higher risk of experiencing more severe illness as a result of COVID-19, including older adults and people who have serious chronic medical conditions such as heart disease, diabetes, or lung disease; and,

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

WHEREAS, social distancing, which requires maintaining at least a six-foot distance between people, is a paramount strategy for minimizing the spread of COVID-19 in our communities; and,

WHEREAS, current testing availability has identified further spread of confirmed cases throughout the State of Illinois, and it is expected that increased testing capacity would demonstrate that COVID-19 is circulating in communities across Illinois that currently have not identified a confirmed case; and,

WHEREAS, the number of suspected COVID-19 cases in Illinois is increasing exponentially and across more locations in Illinois, indicating that drastic social distancing measures are needed, even in communities where confirmed cases have not yet been identified, to reduce the number of people who become sick at any given time and the possibility of exhausting our health care resources; and,

WHEREAS, I, JB Pritzker, Governor of Illinois, declared all counties in the State of Illinois as a disaster area on March 9, 2020 (the First Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation) in response to the outbreak of COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, I again declared all counties in the State of Illinois as a disaster area on April 1, 2020 (the Second Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation, and, together with the First Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation, the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamations) in response to the exponential spread of COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, for the preservation of public health and safety throughout the entire State of Illinois, and to ensure that our healthcare delivery system is capable of serving those

who are sick, I find it necessary to take additional measures consistent with public health guidance to slow and stop the spread of COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, I find it necessary to continue and extend the Executive Orders issued to date in response to the outbreak of COVID-19, Executive Orders 2020-03, 2020-04, 2020-05, 2020-06, 2020-07, 2020-08, 2020-09, 2020-10, 2020-11, 2020-12, 2020-13, 2020-14, 2020-15, 2020-16, and 2020-17, and hereby incorporate the WHEREAS clauses of those Executive Orders;

THEREFORE, by the powers vested in me as the Governor of the State of Illinois, pursuant to Sections 7(1), 7(2), 7(3), 7(8), 7(9), and 7(12) of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3305, and consistent with the powers in public health laws, I hereby order the following:

Part 1: Continuing and Extending Prior Executive Orders.

Executive Orders 2020-03, 2020-04, 2020-05, 2020-06, 2020-07, 2020-08, 2020-09, 2020-10, 2020-11, 2020-12, 2020-13, 2020-14, 2020-15, 2020-16, and 2020-17 hereby are continued and extended by this Executive Order 2020-18 as follows:

Executive Order 2020-04 (Closure of James R. Thompson Center; Waiver of Sick Leave Requirement for State Employees):

Section 1. Beginning March 16, 2020, the James R. Thompson Center located at 100 W. Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois, is closed for the duration of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamations to members of the public, except as necessary for the conduct of state business, to obtain services from a state agency or constitutional office, or to operate a business located in the James R. Thompson Center. This closure does not affect public access to businesses located on the ground floor in the James R. Thompson Center through exterior entrances, except as otherwise specified in this Order.

Section 2. Beginning March 13, 2020, the two-year continuous service requirement for state employees to receive advancement of sick leave pursuant to Title 80, Section 303.110 of the Illinois Administrative Code Personnel Rules, is suspended during the duration of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamations.

Executive Orders 2020-05 and 2020-06 (School Closures):

Executive Orders 2020-05 and 2020-06 are continued and extended in their entirety for the duration of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamations, which currently extends through **April 30, 2020**.

Executive Order 2020-07 (Suspension of on-premises consumption at restaurants and bars; Unemployment insurance; Open Meetings Act):

Section 1. Beginning March 16, 2020 at 9 p.m. through **April 30, 2020**, all businesses in the State of Illinois that offer food or beverages for on-premises consumption—including restaurants, bars, grocery stores, and food halls—must suspend service for and may not permit on-premises consumption. Such businesses are permitted and encouraged to serve food and beverages so that they may be consumed off-premises,

as currently permitted by law, through means such as in-house delivery, third-party delivery, drive-through, and curbside pick-up. In addition, customers may enter the premises to purchase food or beverages for carry-out. However, establishments offering food or beverages for carry-out, including food trucks, must ensure that they have an environment where patrons maintain adequate social distancing. Businesses located in airports, hospitals, and dining halls in colleges and universities are exempt from the requirements of this Executive Order. Hotel restaurants may continue to provide room service and carry-out. Catering services may continue.

Section 2. Pursuant to Sections 7(2) and 7(3) of the Illinois Emergency Management Act, the Illinois State Police, the Illinois Department of Public Health, the State Fire Marshal, and the Illinois Liquor Control Commission are directed to cooperate with one another and to use available resources to enforce the provisions of this Executive Order with respect to entities under their jurisdiction under Illinois law.

Section 3. Nothing in this Executive Order shall amend or supersede the authority of the Illinois Department of Public Health pursuant to Section 2310-15 of the Department of Public Health Powers and Duties Law, 20 ILCS 2310/2310-15.

Section 4. During the duration of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamations, the provision of the Unemployment Insurance Act, 820 ILCS 405/500(D), requiring a one-week waiting period for unemployment insurance claims is suspended for claimants who are unemployed and who are otherwise eligible for unemployment insurance benefits.

Section 5. During the duration of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamations, the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120, requiring or relating to in-person attendance by members of a public body are suspended. Specifically, (1) the requirement in 5 ILCS 120/2.01 that “members of a public body must be physically present” is suspended; and (2) the conditions in 5 ILCS 120/7 limiting when remote participation is permitted are suspended. Public bodies are encouraged to postpone consideration of public business where possible. When a meeting is necessary, public bodies are encouraged to provide video, audio, and/or telephonic access to meetings to ensure members of the public may monitor the meeting, and to update their websites and social media feeds to keep the public fully apprised of any modifications to their meeting schedules or the format of their meetings due to COVID-19, as well their activities relating to COVID-19.

Executive Order 2020-08 (Secretary of State Operations):

Executive Order 2020-08 is continued and extended in its entirety for the duration of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamations, which currently extends through **April 30, 2020**.

Executive Order 2020-09 (Telehealth):

Executive Order 2020-09 is continued and extended in its entirety for the duration of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamations, which currently extends through **April 30, 2020**.

Executive Order 2020-10 (Stay at Home; Social distancing; Evictions ceased):

Executive Order 2020-10 is continued and extended in its entirety for the duration of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamations, which currently extends through **April 30, 2020**.

Executive Order 2020-11 (Revisions to Executive Orders 2020-05 and 2020-10; Department of Corrections notification period):

Executive Order 2020-11 is continued and extended in its entirety for the duration of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamations, which currently extends through **April 30, 2020**.

Executive Order 2020-12 (Health care worker background checks; Department of Juvenile Justice notification period; Coal Mining Act):

Executive Order 2020-12 is continued and extended in its entirety for the duration of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamations, which currently extends through **April 30, 2020**.

Executive Order 2020-13 (Suspending Department of Corrections admissions from county jails):

Executive Order 2020-13 is continued and extended in its entirety for the duration of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamations, which currently extends through **April 30, 2020**.

Executive Order 2020-14 (Notary and witness guidelines):

Executive Order 2020-14 is continued and extended in its entirety for the duration of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamations, which currently extends through **April 30, 2020**.

Executive Order 2020-14, Section 2, Paragraphs (h) and (i) hereby are amended and revised as follows:

1. The signatory must transmit by overnight mail, fax, or electronic means a legible copy of the entire signed document directly to the witness no later than the day after the document is signed;

1. The witness must sign the transmitted copy of the document as a witness and transmit the signed copy of the document back via overnight mail, fax, or electronic means to the signatory within 24 hours of receipt; and

Executive Order 2020-15 (Suspending provisions of the Illinois School Code):

Executive Order 2020-15 is continued and extended in its entirety for the duration of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamations, which currently extends through **April 30, 2020**.

Executive Order 2020-16 (Repossession of vehicles; suspension of classroom training requirement for security services):

Executive Order 2020-16 is continued and extended in its entirety for the duration of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamations, which currently extends through **April 30, 2020**.

Executive Orders 2020-03 and 2020-17 (Cannabis deadlines and applications):

Section 1. The application submission deadlines in the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act and implementing regulations for submitting applications by March 16, 2020, which previously were suspended pursuant to Executive Order 2020-03 and extended through March 30, 2020, and extended through Executive Order 2020-17 to April 7, 2020, hereby are suspended as follows:

1. The March 16, 2020, deadline for submission of craft grower license applications pursuant to Title 8, Section 1300.300(b) of the Illinois Administrative Code, which was extended through Executive Order 2020-03 to March 30, 2020, and extended through Executive Order 2020-17 to April 7, 2020, is extended to **April 30, 2020**; and
1. The March 16, 2020, deadline for submission of infuser license applications pursuant to Section 35-5(b) of the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act, 410 ILCS 705/35-5(b) and Title 8, Section 1300.400(b) of the Illinois Administrative Code, which was extended through Executive Order 2020-03 to March 30, 2020, and extended through Executive Order 2020-17 to April 7, 2020, is extended to **April 30, 2020**; and
1. The March 16, 2020, deadline for submission of transporter license applications pursuant to Section 40-5(b) of the cannabis Regulation and Tax Act, 40 ILCS 705/40-5(b) and Title 8, Section 1300.510(b)(1)(A) of the Illinois Administrative Code, which was extended through Executive Order 2020-03 to March 30, 2020, and extended through Executive Order 2020-17 to April 7, 2020, is extended to **April 30, 2020**.

Section 2. Any statutory or regulatory requirement to accept such applications in-person is suspended and the Department of Agriculture is directed to cease accepting in-person applications beginning 5 p.m. Central Time March 12, 2020.

Section 3. The Illinois Department of Agriculture is further directed to accept all craft grower, infuser, and transporter license applications post-marked on or before April 30, 2020, via certified US Mail at:

Illinois Department of Agriculture
c/o Bureau of Medicinal Plants
P.O. Box 19281
Springfield, IL 62794-9281 USA

Part 2: Savings Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, this invalidity does not affect any other provision or application of this Executive Order, which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application. To achieve this purpose, the provisions of this Executive Order are declared to be severable.

JB Pritzker, Governor

Issued by the Governor April 1, 2020
Filed by the Secretary of State April 1, 2020



Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation

WHEREAS, protecting the health and safety of Illinoisans is among the most important functions of State government; and,

WHEREAS, it is critical that Illinoisans who become sick are able to be treated by medical professionals, including when a hospital bed, emergency room bed, or ventilator is needed; and,

WHEREAS, it is also critical that the State's health care and first responder workforce has adequate personal protective equipment (PPE) to safely treat patients, respond to public health disasters, and prevent the spread of communicable diseases; and,

WHEREAS, Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a novel severe acute respiratory illness that has spread among people through respiratory transmissions, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a Public Health Emergency of International Concern on January 30, 2020, and the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services declared that COVID-19 presents a public health emergency on January 27, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization characterized the COVID-19 outbreak as a pandemic, and has reported more than 3 million confirmed cases of COVID-19 and 200,000 deaths attributable to COVID-19 globally as of April 30, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, a vaccine or treatment is not currently available for COVID-19 and, on April 24, 2020, the World Health Organization warned that there is currently no evidence that people who have recovered from COVID-19 and have antibodies are protected from a second infection; and,

WHEREAS, despite efforts to contain COVID-19, the World Health Organization and the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) indicated that the virus was expected to continue spreading and it has, in fact, continued to spread rapidly, resulting in the need for federal and State governments to take significant steps; and,

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, I, JB Pritzker, Governor of Illinois, declared all counties in the State of Illinois as a disaster area in response to the outbreak of COVID-19 (First Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation); and,

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President declared a nationwide emergency pursuant to Section 501(b) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5207 (the "Stafford Act"), covering all states and territories, including Illinois; and,

WHEREAS, on March 26, 2020, the President declared a major disaster in Illinois pursuant to Section 401 of the Stafford Act; and,

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2020, due to the exponential spread of COVID-19 in Illinois, I again declared all counties in the State of Illinois as a disaster area (Second Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation); and,

WHEREAS, as circumstances surrounding COVID-19 rapidly evolve, there have been frequent changes in information and guidance from public health officials as a result of emerging evidence; and,

WHEREAS, from the outset, data suggested that older adults and those with serious underlying health conditions are more likely to experience severe and sometimes fatal complications from COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, emerging evidence has shown that young people, including infants and toddlers, are also at risk for such complications; and,

WHEREAS, as of March 16, 2020, an analysis by the CDC showed that 38 percent of hospitalized COVID-19 patients were between the ages of 20 and 54, and there is evidence that COVID-19 causes blood clots and strokes, and has caused deadly strokes in young and middle-aged patients who exhibited few symptoms; and,

WHEREAS, the understanding on spread from infected individuals who have not shown symptoms has changed and, on April 12, 2020, the CDC changed the period of exposure risk from “onset of symptoms” to “48 hours before symptom onset”; and,

WHEREAS, previously, the CDC recommended against wearing cloth face coverings or masks as protection and, now, in light of new research on asymptomatic and pre-symptomatic transmission, the CDC now recommends wearing cloth face coverings in public settings where social distancing measures are difficult to maintain; and,

WHEREAS, as COVID-19 has spread in Illinois over the course of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamations, the circumstances causing a disaster throughout the State have changed; and,

WHEREAS, at the time I issued the First Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation, there were 11 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in one Illinois county; and,

WHEREAS, as of today, April 30, 2020, there have been nearly 53,000 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in 97 Illinois counties; and,

WHEREAS, the first death attributed to COVID-19 in Illinois was announced on March 17, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, as of April 30, 2020, Illinois has had more than 2,350 deaths resulting from COVID-19, including 141 deaths reported over a 24-hour period on April 30; and,

WHEREAS, studies suggest that for every confirmed case there are many more unknown cases, some of which are asymptomatic individuals, meaning that individuals can pass the virus to others without knowing; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois Department of Public Health activated its Illinois Emergency Operations Plan and its Emergency Support Function 8 Plan to coordinate emergency response efforts by hospitals, local health departments, and emergency management systems in order to avoid a surge hospital resources and capacity; and,

WHEREAS, as the virus has progressed through Illinois, the crisis facing the State has developed and now requires an evolving response to ensure hospitals, health care professionals and first responders are able to meet the health care needs of all Illinoisans and in a manner consistent with CDC guidance that continues to be updated; and,

WHEREAS, in order to ensure that health care professionals, first responders, hospitals and other facilities are able to meet the health care needs of all residents of Illinois, the State must have critical supplies, including PPE, such as masks, face shields, gowns, and gloves; and,

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois maintains a stockpile that supports the existing PPE supply chains and stocks at various healthcare facilities; and,

WHEREAS, across the State, hospitals and long-term care facilities use approximately 1.5 million N95 masks, 25 million gloves, 4.4 million gowns, and 700,000 surgical masks during a 10-day period; and,

WHEREAS, the State had distributed among all 102 Illinois counties millions of surgical masks and N95 masks, tens of thousands of gowns, millions of pairs of gloves, and hundreds of thousands of face shields from the State stockpile; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois Department of Public Health has provided guidance to all hospitals and EMS providers recommending the immediate elevation of their conservation and contingency strategies as it relates to PPE; and,

WHEREAS, while the State is making every effort to procure additional PPE, if those procurement efforts are disrupted or Illinois experiences a surge in COVID-19 cases, the State faces a life-threatening shortage of respirators, masks, protective eyewear, face shields, gloves, gowns, and other protective equipment for health care workers and first responders; and,

WHEREAS, Illinois is using a high percentage of hospital beds, ICU beds, and ventilators as a result of the number of COVID-19 patients that require hospitalization and, if cases were to surge higher, the State would face a shortage of these critical health care resources; and,

WHEREAS, Illinois currently has a total of 32,010 hospital beds with 3,631 ICU beds, of which, as of April 30, 2020, only 33% of hospital beds and 25% of ICU beds were available statewide, and only 17% of ICU beds were available in the Chicago region; and,

WHEREAS, the State worked with top researchers from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, the Northwestern School of Medicine, the University of Chicago, the Chicago and Illinois Departments of Public Health, along with McKinsey and Mier Consulting Group, and Civis Analytics, to analyze two months' worth of daily data on COVID-19 deaths and ICU usage and model potential outcomes; and,

WHEREAS, the State's modeling shows that its health care resource utilization will not peak until May, and that health care resources will continue to be limited after the peak; and,

WHEREAS, the State's modeling shows that without extensive social distancing and other precautions, the State will not have sufficient hospital beds, ICU beds or ventilators; and,

WHEREAS, Illinois currently has a total of 32,010 hospital beds, and the State's modeling shows that without a "stay at home" order, more than 100,000 hospital beds would be necessary; and,

WHEREAS, Illinois currently has a total of 3,631 ICU beds, and the State's modeling shows that without a "stay at home" order, more than 25,000 ICU beds would be necessary; and,

WHEREAS, Illinois currently has a total of 3,378 ventilators, and the State's modeling shows that without a "stay at home" order, upwards of 20,000 ventilators would be necessary; and,

WHEREAS, the State's modeling shows that without a "stay at home" order, the number of deaths from COVID-19 would be between 10 to 20 times higher than with a "stay at home" order in place; and,

WHEREAS, the epidemiology concept of R_0 (R-naught) – which represents the number of cases, on average, an infected person will cause during their infectious period – is an important measure of progress in combatting a virus like COVID-19, and that an R_0 of below 1 is a critical milestone because it suggests that the disease is declining rather than spreading; and,

WHEREAS, the State's estimated effective R_0 was approximately 3.5 at the beginning of the outbreak, but the number has improved to approximately 1.25 based on the State's emergency measures, including the "stay at home" order; and,

WHEREAS, hospital beds, ICU beds, and ventilators are needed not for just patients with COVID-19, but also for any number of additional illnesses and injuries; and,

WHEREAS, fewer Illinoisans have sought non-COVID-19 related medical care and emergency care in recent weeks and it is critical that Illinoisans are able to and willing to seek non-COVID-19 related medical care and emergency care; and,

WHEREAS, Illinoisans will be able to and willing to seek non-COVID-19 related medical care and emergency care if there are sufficient hospital beds, ventilators, and if medical personnel are able to protect themselves with PPE; and,

WHEREAS, the State has been limited in the number of COVID-19 tests that can be taken and processed due to a limited number of testing sites and labs, as well as a shortage of necessary supplies, including the swabs needed to take samples; and,

WHEREAS, at the time I issued the First Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation, Illinois had capacity to test no more than a few hundred people per day for COVID-19 at a small number of testing sites; and,

WHEREAS, the State has developed testing sites throughout the State and now has increased the COVID-19 tests per day to more than 10,000; and,

WHEREAS, as of April 30, 2020, Illinois has tested nearly 270,000 total specimens for COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, national projections adjusted for Illinois' population suggest the state may need to process several thousand more tests per day as part of the effort to permanently slow and reduce the spread of COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization has identified a positive test rate of 10% as a benchmark for adequate testing but currently over 20% of the COVID-19 tests administered in Illinois have positive results, suggesting that Illinois must continue increasing testing; and,

WHEREAS, based on the foregoing facts, and considering the expected continuing spread of COVID-19 and the resulting health impacts that will be felt over the coming month by people across the State, the current circumstances in Illinois surrounding the spread of COVID-19 constitute an epidemic emergency and a public health emergency under Section 4 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act; and,

WHEREAS, based on the foregoing, the new circumstances surrounding the threatened shortages of hospital beds, ICU beds, ventilators, and PPE, and critical need for increased COVID-19 testing capacity constitute a public health emergency under Section 4 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act; and,

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State of Illinois that the State will be prepared to address any disasters and, therefore, it is necessary and appropriate to make additional State resources available to ensure that that our healthcare delivery system is capable of serving those who are sick and that Illinoisans remain safe and secure and able to obtain medical care; and,

WHEREAS, this proclamation will assist Illinois agencies in coordinating State and Federal resources, including materials needed to test for COVID-19, personal protective equipment, and medicines, in an effort to support the State responses as well as the responses of local governments to the present public health emergency; and,

WHEREAS, these conditions provide legal justification under Section 7 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act for the new issuance of a proclamation of disaster; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois Constitution, in Article V, Section 8, provides that "the Governor shall have the supreme executive power, and shall be responsible for the faithful execution of the laws," and states, in the Preamble, that a central purpose of the Illinois Constitution is "provide for the health, safety, and welfare of the people";

NOW, THEREFORE, in the interest of aiding the people of Illinois and the local governments responsible for ensuring public health and safety, I, JB Pritzker, Governor of the State of Illinois, hereby proclaim as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 7 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3305/7, I find that a disaster exists within the State of Illinois and specifically declare all counties in the State of Illinois as a disaster area. The proclamation authorizes the exercise of all of the emergency powers provided in Section 7 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3305/7, including but not limited to those specific emergency powers set forth below.

Section 2. The Illinois Department of Public Health and the Illinois Emergency Management Agency are directed to coordinate with each other with respect to planning for and responding to the present public health emergency.

Section 3. The Illinois Department of Public Health is further directed to cooperate with the Governor, other State agencies and local authorities, including local public health authorities, in the development and implementation of strategies and plans to protect the public health in connection with the present public health emergency.

Section 4. The Illinois Emergency Management Agency is directed to implement the State Emergency Operations Plan to coordinate State resources to support local governments in disaster response and recovery operations.

Section 5. To aid with emergency purchases necessary for response and other emergency powers as authorized by the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, the provisions of the Illinois Procurement Code that would in any way prevent, hinder or delay necessary action in coping with the disaster are suspended to the extent they are not required by federal law. If necessary, and in accordance with Section 7(1) of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3305/7(1), the Governor may take appropriate executive action to suspend additional statutes, orders, rules, and regulations.

Section 6. Pursuant to Section 7(3) of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3305/7(3), this proclamation activates the Governor's authority, as necessary, to transfer the direction, personnel or functions of State departments and agencies or units thereof for the purpose of performing or facilitating emergency response programs.

Section 7. The Illinois Department of Public Health, Illinois Department of Insurance and the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services are directed to recommend, and, as appropriate, take necessary actions to ensure expanded access to testing for COVID-19 and that consumers do not face financial barriers in accessing diagnostic testing and treatment services for COVID-19.

Section 8. The Illinois State Board of Education is directed to recommend, and, as appropriate, take necessary actions to address any impact to learning associated with the present public health emergency and to alleviate any barriers to the use of remote learning during the effect of this proclamation that exist in the Illinois School Code, 105 ILCS 5/1-1 et. seq.

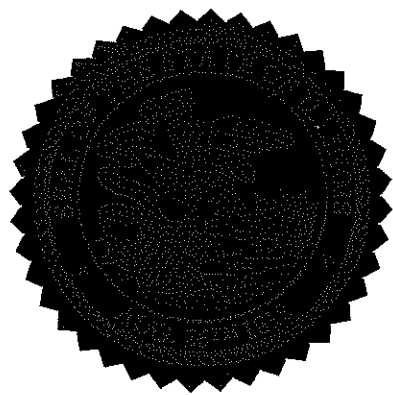
Section 9. All State agencies are directed to cooperate with the Governor, other State agencies and local authorities in the development and implementation of strategies and plans to cope with and recover from the economic impact of the present public health emergency.

Section 10. Pursuant to Section 7(14) of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3305/7(14), increases in the selling price of goods or services, including medical supplies, protective equipment, medications and other commodities intended to assist in the prevention of or treatment and recovery of COVID-19, shall be prohibited in the State of Illinois while this proclamation is in effect.

Section 11. This proclamation can facilitate requests for federal emergency and/or disaster assistance if a complete and comprehensive assessment of damage indicates that effective recovery is beyond the capabilities of the State and affected local governments.

Section 12. This proclamation shall be effective immediately and remain in effect for 30 days.

In Witness Whereof, I have herunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Illinois to be affixed.



Done at the Capitol in the City of Springfield, this 30th day of April, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and twenty, and of the State of Illinois two hundred and second.

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SECRETARY OF STATE

BRA
GOVERNOR

EXHIBIT 6

April 30, 2020

Executive Order 2020-32

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-32 **(COVID-19 EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 30)**

WHEREAS, protecting the health and safety of Illinoisans is among the most important functions of State government; and,

WHEREAS, it is critical that Illinoisans who become sick are able to be treated by medical professionals, including when a hospital bed, emergency room bed, or ventilator is needed; and,

WHEREAS, it is also critical that the State's health care and first responder workforce has adequate personal protective equipment (PPE) to safely treat patients, respond to public health disasters, and prevent the spread of communicable diseases; and,

WHEREAS, Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a novel severe acute respiratory illness that has spread among people through respiratory transmissions, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a Public Health Emergency of International Concern on January 30, 2020, and the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services declared that COVID-19 presents a public health emergency on January 27, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization characterized the COVID-19 outbreak as a pandemic, and has reported more than 3 million confirmed cases of COVID-19 and 200,000 deaths attributable to COVID-19 globally as of April 30, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, a vaccine or treatment is not currently available for COVID-19 and, on April 24, 2020, the World Health Organization warned that there is currently no evidence that people who have recovered from COVID-19 and have antibodies are protected from a second infection; and,

WHEREAS, despite efforts to contain COVID-19, the World Health Organization and the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) indicated that the virus was expected to continue spreading and it has, in fact, continued to spread rapidly, resulting in the need for federal and State governments to take significant steps; and,

WHEREAS, the CDC currently recommends that all United States residents take precautions to contain the spread of COVID-19, including that they: (1) stay home as much as possible; (2) if they must leave their home, practice social distancing by maintaining 6 feet of distance from others and avoiding all gatherings; (3) wear cloth face coverings in public settings where other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain; (4) be alert for symptoms such as fever, cough, or shortness of breath, and take their temperature if symptoms develop; and (5) exercise appropriate hygiene, including proper hand-washing; and,

WHEREAS, the CDC also recommends the following precautions for household members, caretakers and other persons having close contact with a person with symptomatic COVID-19, during the period from 48 hours before onset of symptoms until the symptomatic person meets the criteria for discontinuing home isolation: (1) stay home until 14 days after last exposure and maintain social distance (at least 6 feet) from others at all times; (2) self-monitor for symptoms, including checking their temperature twice a day and watching for fever, cough, or shortness of breath; and (3) avoid contact with people at higher risk for severe illness (unless they live in the same home and had the same exposure); and,

WHEREAS, as circumstances surrounding COVID-19 rapidly evolve, there have been frequent changes in information and guidance from public health officials as a result of emerging evidence; and,

WHEREAS, as of April 30, 2020, there have been nearly 53,000 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in 97 Illinois counties and 2,350 deaths from COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, studies suggest that for every confirmed case there are many more unknown cases, some of which are asymptomatic individuals, meaning that individuals can pass the virus to others without knowing; and,

WHEREAS, as the virus has progressed through Illinois, the crisis facing the State has developed and now requires an evolving response to ensure hospitals, health care professionals and first responders are able to meet the health care needs of all Illinoisans and in a manner consistent with CDC guidance that continues to be updated; and,

WHEREAS, Illinois is using a high percentage of hospital beds, ICU beds, and ventilators as a result of the number of COVID-19 patients that require hospitalization and, if cases were to surge higher, the State would face a shortage of these critical health care resources; and,

WHEREAS, Illinois currently has a total of 32,010 hospital beds with 3,631 ICU beds, of which, as of April 30, 2020, only 33% of hospital beds and 25% of ICU beds were available statewide, and only 17% of ICU beds were available in the Chicago region; and,

WHEREAS, the State worked with top researchers from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, the Northwestern School of Medicine, the University of Chicago, the Chicago and Illinois Departments of Public Health, along with McKinsey and Mier Consulting Group, and Civis Analytics, to analyze two months' worth of daily data on COVID-19 deaths and ICU usage and model potential outcomes; and,

WHEREAS, the State's modeling shows that its health care resource utilization will not peak until May, and that health care resources will continue to be limited after the peak; and,

WHEREAS, the State's modeling shows that without extensive social distancing and other precautions, the State will not have sufficient hospital beds, ICU beds or ventilators; and,

WHEREAS, Illinois currently has a total of 32,010 hospital beds, and the State’s modeling shows that without a “stay at home” order, more than 100,000 hospital beds would be necessary; and,

WHEREAS, Illinois currently has a total of 3,631 ICU beds, and the State’s modeling shows that without a “stay at home” order, more than 25,000 ICU beds would be necessary; and,

WHEREAS, Illinois currently has a total of 3,378 ventilators, and the State’s modeling shows that without a “stay at home” order, upwards of 20,000 ventilators would be necessary; and,

WHEREAS, the State’s modeling shows that without a “stay at home” order, the number of deaths from COVID-19 would be between 10 to 20 times higher than with a “stay at home” order in place; and,

WHEREAS, I declared all counties in the State of Illinois as a disaster area on April 30, 2020 because the current circumstances in Illinois surrounding the spread of COVID-19 constitute an epidemic and a public health emergency under Section 4 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act; and,

WHEREAS, I declared all counties in the State of Illinois as a disaster area on April 30, 2020 because the current circumstances surrounding the threatened shortages of hospital beds, ICU beds, ventilators, and PPE, and critical need for increased COVID-19 testing capacity constitute a public health emergency under Section 4 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois Constitution, in Article V, Section 8, provides that “the Governor shall have the supreme executive power, and shall be responsible for the faithful execution of the laws,” and states, in the Preamble, that a central purpose of the Illinois Constitution is “provide for the health, safety, and welfare of the people;” and,

WHEREAS, for the preservation of public health and safety throughout the entire State of Illinois, and to ensure that our healthcare delivery system is capable of serving those who are sick, I find it necessary to take measures consistent with public health guidance to slow and stop the spread of COVID-19 and to prevent shortages of hospital beds, ICU beds, ventilators, and PPE and to increase COVID-19 testing capacity;

THEREFORE, by the powers vested in me as the Governor of the State of Illinois, pursuant to the Illinois Constitution and Sections 7(1), 7(2), 7(3), 7(8), 7(9), and 7(12) of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3305, and consistent with the powers in public health laws, I hereby order the following, effective May 1, 2020:

Section 1. Public Health Requirements for Individuals Leaving Home and for Businesses

1. **Wearing a face covering in public places or when working.** Any individual who is over age two and able to medically tolerate a face-covering (a mask or cloth face-covering) shall be required to cover their nose and mouth with a face-covering when in a public place and unable to maintain a six-foot social

distance. Face-coverings are required in public indoor spaces such as stores.

2. **Requirements for essential stores.** Retail stores (including, but not limited to, stores that sell groceries and medicine, hardware stores, and greenhouses, garden centers, and nurseries) designated as Essential Businesses and Operations under this Order shall to the greatest extent possible:
 - provide face coverings to all employees who are not able to maintain a minimum six-foot social distance at all times;
 - cap occupancy at 50 percent of store capacity, or, alternatively, at the occupancy limits based on store square footage set by the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity;
 - set up store aisles to be one-way where practicable to maximize spacing between customers and identify the one-way aisles with conspicuous signage and/or floor markings;
 - communicate with customers through in-store signage, and public service announcements and advertisements, about the social distancing requirements set forth in this Order (Social Distancing Requirements); and
 - discontinue use of reusable bags.

Households must limit the number of members who enter stores to the minimum necessary.

3. **Requirements for non-essential stores.** Retail stores not designated as Essential Businesses and Operations may re-open for the limited purposes of fulfilling telephone and online orders through pick-up outside the store and delivery – which are deemed to be Minimum Basic Operations. Employees working in the store must follow the social Distancing Requirements, and must wear a face covering when they may come within six feet of another employee or a customer.
4. **Requirements for manufacturers.** Manufacturers that continue to operate pursuant to this Order must follow Social Distancing Requirements and take appropriate precautions, which may include:
 - providing face coverings to all employees who are not able to maintain a minimum six-foot social distance at all times;
 - staggering shifts;
 - reducing line speeds;
 - operating only essential lines, while shutting down non-essential lines;
 - ensuring that all spaces where employees may gather, including locker rooms and lunchrooms, allow for social distancing; and
 - downsizing operations to the extent necessary to allow for social distancing and to provide a safe workplace in response to the COVID-19 emergency.

5. **Requirements for all businesses.** All businesses must evaluate which employees are able to work from home, and are encouraged to facilitate remote work from home when possible. All businesses that have employees physically reporting to a work-site must post the guidance from the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) and Office of the Illinois Attorney General regarding workplace safety during the COVID-19 emergency. The guidance will be posted on the IDPH webpage.

Section 2. Stay at Home; Social Distancing Requirements; and Essential Businesses and Operations

1. **Stay at home or place of residence.** With exceptions as outlined below, all individuals currently living within the State of Illinois are ordered to stay at home or at their place of residence except as allowed in this Executive Order. To the extent individuals are using shared or outdoor spaces when outside their residence, they must at all times and as much as reasonably possible maintain social distancing of at least six feet from any other person, consistent with the Social Distancing Requirements set forth in this Executive Order. All persons may leave their homes or place of residence only for Essential Activities, Essential Governmental Functions, or to operate Essential Businesses and Operations, all as defined below.

Individuals experiencing homelessness are exempt from this directive, but are strongly urged to obtain shelter, and governmental and other entities are strongly urged to make such shelter available as soon as possible and to the maximum extent practicable (and to use in their operation COVID-19 risk mitigation practices recommended by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH)). Individuals whose residences are unsafe or become unsafe, such as victims of domestic violence, are permitted and urged to leave their home and stay at a safe alternative location. For purposes of this Executive Order, homes or residences include hotels, motels, shared rental units, shelters, and similar facilities.

2. **Non-essential business and operations must cease.** All businesses and operations in the State, except Essential Businesses and Operations as defined below, are required to cease all activities within the State except Minimum Basic Operations, as defined below. For clarity, businesses may also continue operations consisting exclusively of employees or contractors performing activities at their own residences (i.e., working from home).

All Essential Businesses and Operations may remain open consistent with the express provisions of this Order and the intent of this Order as set forth in Section 2, Paragraph 16 below. To the greatest extent feasible, Essential Businesses and Operations shall comply with Social Distancing Requirements as defined in this Executive Order, including by maintaining six-foot social distancing for both employees and members of the public at all times, including, but not limited to, when any customers are standing in line.

3. **Prohibited activities.** All public and private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a single household or living unit are prohibited, except for the limited purposes permitted by this Executive Order. Pursuant to current guidance from the CDC, any gathering of more than **ten** people is prohibited unless exempted by this Executive Order. Nothing in this Executive Order prohibits the gathering of members of a household or residence.

All places of public amusement, whether indoors or outdoors, including but not limited to, locations with amusement rides, carnivals, amusement parks, water parks, aquariums, zoos, museums, arcades, fairs, children's play centers, playgrounds, funplexes, theme parks, bowling alleys, movie and other theaters, concert and music halls, and country clubs or social clubs shall be closed to the public.

4. **Prohibited and permitted travel.** All travel, including, but not limited to, travel by automobile, motorcycle, scooter, bicycle, train, plane, or public transit, except Essential Travel and Essential Activities as defined herein, is prohibited. People riding on public transit must comply with Social Distancing Requirements to the greatest extent feasible. This Executive Order allows travel into or out of the State to maintain Essential Businesses and Operations and Minimum Basic Operations.

5. **Leaving the home for essential activities is permitted.** For purposes of this Executive Order, individuals may leave their residence only to perform any of the following Essential Activities, and must follow the Social Distancing Requirements set forth in this Order, including wearing face coverings when in public or at work:

- i. **For health and safety.** To engage in activities or perform tasks essential to their health and safety, or to the health and safety of their family or household members (including, but not limited to, pets), such as, by way of example only and without limitation, seeking emergency services, obtaining medical supplies or medication, or visiting a health care professional.
- ii. **For necessary supplies and services.** To obtain necessary services or supplies for themselves and their family or household members, or to deliver those services or supplies to others, such as, by way of example only and without limitation, groceries and food, household consumer products, supplies they need to work from home, and products necessary to maintain the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences.
- iii. **For outdoor activity.** To engage in outdoor activity, provided the individuals comply with Social Distancing Requirements, as defined below, such as, by way of example and without limitation, walking, hiking, running, and biking. Individuals may go to public parks and open outdoor recreation areas, including specific State parks that remain open for certain activities, as designated by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources. Fishing, boating, and golf are permitted only when following the guidelines provided by the Illinois Department of Commerce and

Economic Opportunity (DCEO). Playgrounds may increase spread of COVID-19, and therefore shall be closed.

- iv. **For certain types of work.** To perform work providing essential products and services at Essential Businesses or Operations (which, as defined below, includes Healthcare and Public Health Operations, Human Services Operations, Essential Governmental Functions, and Essential Infrastructure) or to otherwise carry out activities specifically permitted in this Executive Order, including Minimum Basic Operations.
- v. **To take care of others.** To care for a family member, friend, or pet in another household, and to transport family members, friends, or pets as allowed by this Executive Order.
- vi. **To engage in the free exercise of religion.** To engage in the free exercise of religion, provided that such exercise must comply with Social Distancing Requirements and the limit on gatherings of more than ten people in keeping with CDC guidelines for the protection of public health. Religious organizations and houses of worship are encouraged to use online or drive-in services to protect the health and safety of their congregants.

6. **Elderly people and those who are vulnerable as a result of illness should take additional precautions.** People at high risk of severe illness from COVID-19, including elderly people and those who are sick, are urged to stay in their residence to the extent possible except as necessary to seek medical care. Nothing in this Executive Order prevents the Illinois Department of Public Health or local public health departments from issuing and enforcing isolation and quarantine orders pursuant to the Department of Public Health Act, 20 ILCS 2305.

7. **Healthcare and Public Health Operations.** For purposes of this Executive Order, individuals may leave their residence to work for or obtain services through Healthcare and Public Health Operations.

Healthcare and Public Health Operations includes, but is not limited to: hospitals; clinics; dental offices; pharmacies; public health entities, including those that compile, model, analyze and communicate public health information; pharmaceutical, pharmacy, medical device and equipment, and biotechnology companies (including operations, research and development, manufacture, and supply chain); organizations collecting blood, platelets, plasma, and other necessary materials; licensed medical cannabis dispensaries and licensed cannabis cultivation centers; reproductive health care providers; eye care centers, including those that sell glasses and contact lenses; home healthcare services providers; mental health and substance use providers; other healthcare facilities and suppliers and providers of any related and/or ancillary healthcare

services; and entities that transport and dispose of medical materials and remains.

Specifically included in Healthcare and Public Health Operations are manufacturers, technicians, logistics, and warehouse operators and distributors of medical equipment, personal protective equipment (PPE), medical gases, pharmaceuticals, blood and blood products, vaccines, testing materials, laboratory supplies, cleaning, sanitizing, disinfecting or sterilization supplies, and tissue and paper towel products.

Healthcare and Public Health Operations also includes veterinary care and all healthcare and grooming services provided to animals.

Healthcare and Public Health Operations shall be construed broadly to avoid any impacts to the delivery of healthcare, broadly defined. Healthcare and Public Health Operations does not include fitness and exercise gyms, spas, salons, barber shops, tattoo parlors, and similar facilities.

8. **Human Services Operations.** For purposes of this Executive Order, individuals may leave their residence to work for or obtain services at any Human Services Operations, including any provider funded by the Illinois Department of Human Services, Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, or Medicaid that is providing services to the public and including state-operated, institutional, or community-based settings providing human services to the public.

Human Services Operations includes, but is not limited to: long-term care facilities; all entities licensed pursuant to the Child Care Act, 225 ILCS 10, except for day care centers, day care homes, and group day care homes; day care centers licensed as specified in Section 2, Paragraph 12(s) of this Executive Order; day programs exempt from licensure under Title 89 of the Illinois Administrative Code, Sections 377.3(a)(1)-(a)(4), (b)(2), and (c); day programs exempt from licensure under Title 89 of the Illinois Administrative Code, Section 377.3(d) (subject to the conditions governing exempt day care homes set forth in Section 1, Paragraph 12(s) of this Executive Order); residential settings and shelters for adults, seniors, children, and/or people with developmental disabilities, intellectual disabilities, substance use disorders, and/or mental illness; transitional facilities; home-based settings to provide services to individuals with physical, intellectual, and/or developmental disabilities, seniors, adults, and children; field offices that provide and help to determine eligibility for basic needs including food, cash assistance, medical coverage, child care, vocational services, rehabilitation services; developmental centers; adoption agencies; businesses that provide food, shelter, and social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged individuals, individuals with physical, intellectual, and/or developmental disabilities, or otherwise needy individuals.

Human Services Operations shall be construed broadly to avoid any impacts to the delivery of human services, broadly defined.

9. **Essential Infrastructure.** For purposes of this Executive Order, individuals may leave their residence to provide any services or perform any work necessary to offer, provision, operate, maintain and repair Essential Infrastructure.

Essential Infrastructure includes, but is not limited to: food production, distribution, and sale; construction (including, but not limited to, construction required in response to this public health emergency, hospital construction, construction of long-term care facilities, public works construction, and housing construction); building management and maintenance; airport operations; operation and maintenance of utilities, including water, sewer, and gas; electrical (including power generation, distribution, and production of raw materials); distribution centers; oil and biofuel refining; roads, highways, railroads, and public transportation; ports; cybersecurity operations; flood control; solid waste and recycling collection and removal; and internet, video, and telecommunications systems (including the provision of essential global, national, and local infrastructure for computing services, business infrastructure, communications, and web-based services).

Essential Infrastructure shall be construed broadly to avoid any impacts to essential infrastructure, broadly defined.

10. **Essential Governmental Functions.** For purposes of this Executive Order, all first responders, emergency management personnel, emergency dispatchers, court personnel, law enforcement and corrections personnel, hazardous materials responders, child protection and child welfare personnel, housing and shelter personnel, military, and other governmental employees working for or to support Essential Businesses and Operations are categorically exempt from this Executive Order.

Essential Government Functions means all services provided by the State or any municipal, township, county, subdivision or agency of government and needed to ensure the continuing operation of the government agencies or to provide for or support the health, safety and welfare of the public, and including contractors performing Essential Government Functions. Each government body shall determine its Essential Governmental Functions and identify employees and/or contractors necessary to the performance of those functions.

This Executive Order does not apply to the United States government. Nothing in this Executive Order shall prohibit any individual from performing or accessing Essential Governmental Functions.

11. **Businesses covered by this Executive Order.** For the purposes of this Executive Order, covered businesses include any for-profit, non-profit, or educational entities, regardless of the nature of the service, the function it performs, or its corporate or entity structure.
12. **Essential Businesses and Operations.** For the purposes of this Executive Order, Essential Businesses and Operations means Healthcare and Public Health Operations, Human Services Operations, Essential Governmental Functions, and Essential Infrastructure, and the following:

- a. **Stores that sell groceries and medicine.** Grocery stores, pharmacies, certified farmers' markets, farm and produce stands, supermarkets, convenience stores, and other establishments engaged in the retail sale of groceries, canned food, dry goods, frozen foods, fresh fruits and vegetables, pet supplies, fresh meats, fish, and poultry, alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages, and any other household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products). This includes stores that sell groceries, medicine, including medication not requiring a medical prescription, and also that sell other non-grocery products, and products necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences and Essential Businesses and Operations;
- b. **Food, beverage, and cannabis production and agriculture.** Food and beverage manufacturing, production, processing, and cultivation, including farming, livestock, fishing, baking, and other production agriculture, including cultivation, marketing, production, and distribution of animals and goods for consumption; licensed medical and adult use cannabis dispensaries and licensed cannabis cultivation centers; and businesses that provide food, shelter, and other necessities of life for animals, including animal shelters, rescues, shelters, kennels, and adoption facilities;
- c. **Organizations that provide charitable and social services.** Businesses and religious and secular nonprofit organizations, including food banks, when providing food, shelter, and social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals, individuals who need assistance as a result of this emergency, and people with disabilities;
- d. **Media.** Newspapers, television, radio, and other media services;
- e. **Gas stations and businesses needed for transportation.** Gas stations and auto-supply, auto-repair, and related facilities and bicycle shops and related facilities;
- f. **Financial institutions.** Banks, currency exchanges, consumer lenders, including but not limited to, payday lenders, pawnbrokers, consumer installment lenders and sales finance lenders, credit unions, appraisers, title companies, financial markets, trading and futures exchanges, affiliates of financial institutions, entities that issue bonds, related financial institutions, and institutions selling financial products;
- g. **Hardware and supply stores and greenhouses, garden centers, and nurseries.** Hardware stores and businesses that sell electrical, plumbing, and heating material, and greenhouses, garden centers, and nurseries;
- h. **Critical trades.** Building and Construction Tradesmen and Tradeswomen, and other trades including but not limited to plumbers, electricians, exterminators, cleaning and janitorial staff for commercial and governmental properties, security staff, operating engineers, HVAC, painting, moving and relocation services, and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation,

and essential operation of residences, Essential Activities, and Essential Businesses and Operations;

- i. **Mail, post, shipping, logistics, delivery, and pick-up services.** Post offices and other businesses that provide shipping and delivery services, and businesses that ship or deliver groceries, food, alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages, goods or services to end users or through commercial channels;
- j. **Educational institutions.** Educational institutions—including public and private pre-K-12 schools, colleges, and universities—for purposes of facilitating distance learning, performing critical research, or performing essential functions, provided that social distancing of six-feet per person is maintained to the greatest extent possible. Educational institutions may allow and establish procedures for pick-up of necessary supplies and/or student belongings and dormitory move-out if conducted in a manner consistent with public health guidelines, including Social Distancing Requirements. This Executive Order is consistent with and does not amend or supersede Executive Order 2020-05 (COVID-19 Executive Order No. 3) or Executive Order 2020-06 (COVID-19 Executive Order No. 4) except that affected schools have been closed past the April 7, 2020 date reflected in those Orders;
- k. **Laundry services.** Laundromats, dry cleaners, industrial laundry services, and laundry service providers;
- l. **Restaurants for consumption off-premises.** Restaurants and other facilities that prepare and serve food, but only for consumption off-premises, through such means as in-house delivery, third-party delivery, drive-through, curbside pick-up, and carry-out. Schools and other entities that typically provide food services to students or members of the public may continue to do so under this Executive Order on the condition that the food is provided to students or members of the public on a pick-up and takeaway basis only. Schools and other entities that provide food services under this exemption shall not permit the food to be eaten at the site where it is provided, or at any other gathering site due to the virus's propensity to physically impact surfaces and personal property. This Executive Order is consistent with and does not amend or supersede Section 1 of Executive Order 2020-07 (COVID-19 Executive Order No. 5) except that Section 1 is ordered to be extended through April 7, 2020;
- m. **Supplies to work from home.** Businesses that sell, manufacture, or supply products needed for people to work from home;
- n. **Supplies for Essential Businesses and Operations.** Businesses that sell, manufacture, or supply other Essential Businesses and Operations with the support or materials necessary to operate, including computers, audio and video electronics, household appliances; IT and telecommunication equipment; hardware, paint, flat glass; electrical, plumbing and heating material; sanitary equipment; personal hygiene products; food, food additives, ingredients and components; medical and orthopedic equipment; optics and photography equipment; diagnostics,

food and beverages, chemicals, soaps and detergent; and firearm and ammunition suppliers and retailers for purposes of safety and security;

- o. **Transportation.** Airlines, taxis, transportation network providers (such as Uber and Lyft), vehicle rental services, paratransit, and other private, public, and commercial transportation and logistics providers necessary for Essential Activities and other purposes expressly authorized in this Executive Order;
 - p. **Home-based care and services.** Home-based care for adults, seniors, children, and/or people with developmental disabilities, intellectual disabilities, substance use disorders, and/or mental illness, including caregivers such as nannies who may travel to the child's home to provide care, and other in-home services including meal delivery;
 - q. **Residential facilities and shelters.** Residential facilities and shelters for adults, seniors, children, and/or people with developmental disabilities, intellectual disabilities, substance use disorders, and/or mental illness;
 - r. **Professional services.** Professional services, such as legal services, accounting services, insurance services, real estate services (including appraisal and title services);
 - s. **Day care centers for employees exempted by this Executive Order.** Day care centers granted an emergency license pursuant to Title 89, Section 407.500 of the Illinois Administrative Code, governing Emergency Day Care Programs for children of employees exempted by this Executive Order to work as permitted. The licensing requirements for day care homes pursuant to Section 4 of the Child Care Act, 225 ILCS 10/4, are hereby suspended for family homes that receive up to 6 children for the duration of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation;
 - t. **Manufacture, distribution, and supply chain for critical products and industries.** Manufacturing companies, distributors, and supply chain companies producing and supplying essential products and services in and for industries such as pharmaceutical, technology, biotechnology, healthcare, chemicals and sanitization, waste pickup and disposal, agriculture, food and beverage, transportation, energy, steel and steel products, petroleum and fuel, mining, construction, national defense, communications, as well as products used by other Essential Businesses and Operations;
 - u. **Critical labor union functions.** Labor Union essential activities including the administration of health and welfare funds and personnel checking on the well-being and safety of members providing services in Essential Businesses and Operations – provided that these checks should be done by telephone or remotely where possible;
 - v. **Hotels and motels.** Hotels and motels, to the extent used for lodging and delivery or carry-out food services; and
 - w. **Funeral services.** Funeral, mortuary, cremation, burial, cemetery, and related services.
13. **Minimum Basic Operations.** For the purposes of this Executive Order, Minimum Basic Operations include the following, provided that employees

comply with Social Distancing Requirements, to the extent possible, while carrying out such operations:

0. The minimum necessary activities to maintain the value of the business's inventory, preserve the condition of the business's physical plant and equipment, ensure security, process payroll and employee benefits, or for related functions.
1. The minimum necessary activities to facilitate employees of the business being able to continue to work remotely from their residences.
2. For retail stores, fulfilling online and telephonic orders through pick-up outside the store or delivery.

14. **Essential Travel.** For the purposes of this Executive Order, Essential Travel includes travel for any of the following purposes. Individuals engaged in any Essential Travel must comply with all Social Distancing Requirements as defined in this Section.

0. Any travel related to the provision of or access to Essential Activities, Essential Governmental Functions, Essential Businesses and Operations, or Minimum Basic Operations.
1. Travel to care for elderly, minors, dependents, persons with disabilities, or other vulnerable persons.
2. Travel to or from educational institutions for purposes of receiving materials for distance learning, for receiving meals, and any other related services.
3. Travel to return to a place of residence from outside the jurisdiction.
4. Travel required by law enforcement or court order, including to transport children pursuant to a custody agreement.
5. Travel required for non-residents to return to their place of residence outside the State. Individuals are strongly encouraged to verify that their transportation out of the State remains available and functional prior to commencing such travel.

15. **Social Distancing, Face Covering, and PPE Requirements.** For purposes of this Executive Order, Social Distancing Requirements includes maintaining at least six-foot social distancing from other individuals, washing hands with soap and water for at least twenty seconds as frequently as possible or using hand sanitizer, covering coughs or sneezes (into the sleeve or elbow, not hands), regularly cleaning high-touch surfaces, and not shaking hands.

0. **Required measures.** Essential Businesses and Operations and businesses engaged in Minimum Basic Operations must take proactive measures to ensure compliance with Social Distancing Requirements, including where possible:
 1. **Designate six-foot distances.** Designating with signage, tape, or by other means six-foot spacing for employees and customers in line to maintain appropriate distance;

2. **Hand sanitizer and sanitizing products.** Having hand sanitizer and sanitizing products readily available for employees and customers;
 3. **Separate operating hours for vulnerable populations.** Implementing separate operating hours for elderly and vulnerable customers; and
 4. **Online and remote access.** Posting online whether a facility is open and how best to reach the facility and continue services by phone or remotely.
 5. **Face Coverings and PPE.** Providing employees with appropriate face coverings and requiring that employees wear face coverings where maintaining a six-foot social distance is not possible at all times. When the work circumstances require, providing employees with other PPE in addition to face coverings.
16. **Intent of this Executive Order.** The intent of this Executive Order is to ensure that the maximum number of people self-isolate in their places of residence to the maximum extent feasible, while enabling essential services to continue, to slow the spread of COVID-19 to the greatest extent possible. When people need to leave their places of residence, whether to perform Essential Activities, or to otherwise facilitate authorized activities necessary for continuity of social and commercial life, they should at all times and as much as reasonably possible comply with Social Distancing Requirements. All provisions of this Executive Order should be interpreted to effectuate this intent. Businesses not specifically addressed by this Executive Order generally should cease activities and reduce to Minimum Basic Operations.
17. **Enforcement.** This Executive Order may be enforced by State and local law enforcement pursuant to, *inter alia*, Section 7, Section 15, Section 18, and Section 19 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3305.
18. Businesses must follow guidance provided or published by: the Office of the Governor, the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, and State and local law enforcement regarding whether they qualify as Essential; and the Illinois Department of Public Health, local public health departments, and the Workplace Rights Bureau of the Office of the Illinois Attorney General with respect to Social Distancing Requirements. Pursuant to Section 25(b) of the Whistleblower Act, 740 ILCS 174, businesses are prohibited from retaliating against an employee for disclosing information where the employee has reasonable cause to believe that the information discloses a violation of this Order
19. **No limitation on authority.** Nothing in this Executive Order shall, in any way, alter or modify any existing legal authority allowing the State or any county, or local government body from ordering (1) any quarantine or isolation that may require an individual to remain inside a particular residential property or medical facility for a limited period of time, including the duration of this public health

emergency, or (2) any closure of a specific location for a limited period of time, including the duration of this public health emergency. Nothing in this Executive Order shall, in any way, alter or modify any existing legal authority allowing a county or local government body to enact provisions that are stricter than those in this Executive Order.

Section 3. Savings clause.

If any provision of this Executive Order or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, this invalidity does not affect any other provision or application of this Executive Order, which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application. To achieve this purpose, the provisions of this Executive Order are declared to be severable. This Executive Order is meant to be read consistently with any Court order regarding this Executive Order.

JB Pritzker, Governor

Issued by the Governor April 30, 2020

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