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EXECUTIVE ORDER

Extending Executive Orders D 2020 010 and D 2020 040 Concerning the Suspension of Statute to Extend the Income Tax Payment Deadlines Due to the COVID-19 Disaster Emergency

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Governor of the State of Colorado and, in particular, pursuant to Article IV, Section 2 of the Colorado Constitution and the relevant portions of the Colorado Disaster Emergency Act, C.R.S. § 24-33.5-701, et seq., I, Jared Polis, Governor of the State of Colorado, hereby issue this Executive Order extending Executive Order D 2020 010, as amended and extended by Executive Order D 2020 040, ordering the suspension of statute to extend certain state income tax payment deadlines for all Colorado taxpayers to quickly provide relief from payment and penalties due to coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) in Colorado.

I. Background and Purpose

On March 5, 2020, the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment’s (CDPHE) public health laboratory confirmed the first presumptive positive COVID-19 test result in Colorado. Since then, the number of confirmed cases has continued to climb, and we have evidence of community spread throughout the State. I verbally declared a disaster emergency on March 10, 2020, and on March 11, 2020, I issued the corresponding Executive Order D 2020 003, as amended by Executive Orders D 2020 018, D 2020 032, and D 2020 058. On March 25, 2020, I requested that the President of the United States declare a Major Disaster for the State of Colorado, pursuant to the Stafford Act. The President approved that request on March 28, 2020.

My administration, along with other State, local, and federal authorities, has taken a wide array of actions to mitigate the effects of the pandemic, prevent further spread, and protect against overwhelming our health care resources.

The economic impacts of COVID-19 are significant, and threaten to undermine the economic stability of many Coloradans and local businesses. The risk of contamination posed by COVID-19 has necessitated closure of multiple businesses. Employers and employees in virtually all sectors of the economy have been hard hit. We must take action to shore up economic security, employment, community cohesion, and community recovery. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) extended federal tax filing deadlines to July 15, 2020, and through Executive Order D 2020 010, as amended and extended, the State also extended state tax filing deadlines to July 15, 2020.

I extend Executive Order D 2020 010, as amended and extended by Executive Order D 2020 040, ordering the suspension of statute to extend certain state income tax payment deadlines for all Colorado taxpayers to quickly provide relief from payment and penalties due to coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) in Colorado.
This Executive Order extends Executive Order D 2020 010, as amended and extended by Executive Order 040, for an additional thirty (30) days from May 17, 2020 to align with the IRS extension and extend certain state income tax payment deadlines for all Colorado taxpayers.

II. **Duration**

Executive Order D 2020 010, as amended and extended by Executive Order D 2020 040 and as extended by this Executive Order, shall expire thirty (30) days from May 17, 2020, unless extended further by Executive Order. In all other respects, Executive Order D 2020 010, as amended and extended by Executive Order D 2020 040, shall remain in full force and effect as originally promulgated.

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this seventeenth day of May, 2020

Jared Polis
Governor