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EXECUTIVE ORDER


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 014, as extended by D 2020 028, D 2020 048, D 2020 083, D 2020 117, D 2020 146, D 2020 172, D 2020 200, D 2020 228, D 2020 256, D 2020 282, D 2021 017, D 2021 043, D 2021 066, D 2021 085, and D 2021 101, concerning the temporary suspension of certain statutes preventing the issuance of marriage licenses when county clerk and recorder offices are closed, due to the presence of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) in Colorado.

I. Background and Purpose


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.

We must take action to minimize the duration of this epidemic and the disruption to our daily lives. The virus that causes COVID-19 is spread primarily by close contact between people and through respiratory droplets when an infected person coughs or sneezes. Public health experts recommend we practice “social distancing,” or maintaining a physical distance of six (6) feet or more from other people, as a way to slow the spread of COVID-19.
On March 26, 2020, I issued Executive Order D 2020 014 ordering the temporary suspension of certain statutes preventing county clerk and recorder offices from issuing marriage licenses when county clerk and recorder offices are closed to the public due to COVID-19. I have extended this Executive Order multiple times due to the continuing impact of COVID-19 in Colorado.

This Executive Order extends Executive Orders D 2020 014, D 2020 028, D 2020 048, D 2020 083, D 2020 117, D 2020 146, D 2020 172, D 2020 200, D 2020 228, D 2020 256, D 2020 282, D 2021 017, D 2021 043, D 2021 066, D 2021 085, and D 2021 101 for an additional seven (7) days. This extension will enable Coloradans to obtain marriage licenses while observing social distancing guidelines and minimizing the risk of spreading COVID-19.

II. Duration


GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this tenth day of June, 2021.

Jared Polis
Governor