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EXECUTIVE ORDER IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19 **(COVID-19 EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 6)**

WHEREAS, in late 2019, a new and significant outbreak of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) emerged; 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, despite efforts to contain COVID-19, the World Health Organization and the Center for Disease Control (CDC) indicate that it is expected to spread; and,

WHEREAS, in communities with confirmed COVID-19 cases, the CDC currently recommends mitigation measures, including practicing social distancing, staying at home when sick, staying home 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, State agencies have been directed to temporarily reduce activities and workforce to core mission functions and essential operations, encouraging working remotely where possible; and,

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"); and,

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

WHEREAS, it is necessary and appropriate for the State of Illinois to immediately take measures to protect the public's health in response to this COVID-19 outbreak;

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

Section 1. During the duration of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation and for a period of thirty days following its termination, the following statutory provisions are suspended: (1) provisions of the

Illinois Vehicle Code, 625 ILCS 5, providing for the expiration of vehicle registrations, driver's licenses, permits, and parking decals issued by the Secretary of State; (2) provisions of the Illinois Identification Card Act, 15 ILCS 335, providing for the expiration of temporary and standard identification cards issued by the Secretary of State; and (3) hearings conducted by the Secretary of State pursuant to the Illinois Vehicle Code, 625 ILCS 5/2-118, and the Secretary of State Merit Employment Code, 15 ILCS 310/9.

Section 2. The provisions of Article 4A of the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act, 5 ILCS 420/4A, and Section IV of Executive Order 2015-09, providing for the filing of statements of economic interests are suspended during the duration of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation and for thirty days following its termination.

Issued by the Governor March 17, 2020

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