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Secretary of State
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STATE OF TENNESSEE
EXECUTIVE ORDER
BY THE GOVERNOR

No. 80

AN ORDER AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 77

WHEREAS, individuals, businesses, local governments, faith communities, and other entities across the State responded to COVID-19 by changing behaviors and operations to protect our most vulnerable populations while continuing to provide the goods and services necessary to support our communities and our economy; and

WHEREAS, our healthcare infrastructure has adapted, and is continuing to adapt pursuant to pending legislation that is anticipated to become law during the remainder of the legislative session, to facilitate the treatment and containment of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, safe and effective COVID-19 vaccines are now readily available for walkup administration without an appointment, and a large number of Tennesseans have already been vaccinated; and

WHEREAS, as a result of infrastructure advancements, vaccine availability, and public awareness of best practices to prevent the spread of COVID-19, Tennessee citizens and businesses are empowered to responsibly confront and manage the risks of COVID-19.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Tennessee Constitution and other applicable law including Tennessee Code Annotated § 58-2-107, do hereby declare a continuing limited state of emergency and incorporate the provisions of Executive Order No. 77 subject to the amendments herein:

Executive Order No. 77, Section C, regarding delegation of local authority for face coverings, is deleted.

The "Tennessee Pledge" should no longer be considered an independent source of information or recommendations, recognizing that guidance and information is available and should be sought from traditional public health agencies, and thus all references to the Pledge in Executive Order No. 77 are deleted.

Executive Order No. 77, Section D, Paragraph 3, is hereby amended as follows:

3. Term and effective date. This Order shall remain in effect until 11:59 p.m., Central Time, on May 31, 2021.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have subscribed my signature and caused the Great Seal of the State of Tennessee to be affixed this 27th day of April, 2021, and hereby order that this Executive Order No. 80 shall go into effect at 11:59 p.m., Central Time, on April 28, 2021.


GOVERNOR

ATTEST:


SECRETARY OF STATE

