

STATE OF MARYLAND



Proclamation

Termination and Rescission of the Proclamation of the State of Emergency
and Catastrophic Health Emergency — COVID-19

WHEREAS, on March 5, 2020, in an effort to control and prevent the spread of COVID-19, a state of emergency and catastrophic health emergency was proclaimed within the entire State of Maryland pursuant to the Maryland Constitution and Laws of Maryland, including but not limited to Title 14 of the Public Safety Article, and;

WHEREAS, since the declaration of a state of emergency and the existence of a catastrophic health emergency on March 5, 2020, there have been three safe and effective vaccines created and the medical community has gained a better understanding of COVID-19;

WHEREAS, Maryland has one of the highest vaccination rates among eligible persons in the nation with over 78% of eligible persons receiving at least one dose of a vaccine and more than 3.5 million people fully vaccinated;

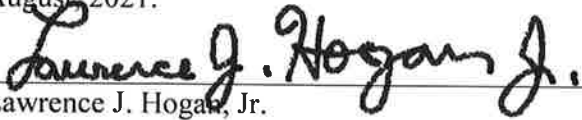
WHEREAS, Maryland's hospitals currently have adequate resources and space to treat all Marylanders; and

WHEREAS, as of August 15, 2021, the emergency has been dealt with to the extent that the emergency conditions no longer exist, the state of emergency no longer exists, and the catastrophic health emergency no longer exists;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LAWRENCE J. HOGAN, JR., GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE MARYLAND CONSTITUTION AND THE LAWS OF MARYLAND, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO TITLE 14 OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY ARTICLE, HEREBY DECLARE THAT THE STATE OF EMERGENCY NO LONGER EXISTS, TERMINATE THE STATE OF EMERGENCY, AND RESCIND THE MARCH 5, 2020, PROCLAMATION OF THE STATE OF EMERGENCY AND CATASTROPHIC HEALTH EMERGENCY AS OF 11:59 P.M. ON AUGUST 15, 2021.




Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland in the City of Annapolis, this 15th day of August, 2021.



Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.
Governor

ATTEST:



John C. Wobensmith
Secretary of State