GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

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The Honorable Ruth R. Hughs
Secretary of State
State Capitol Room 1E.8
Austin, Texas 78701

Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

A proclamation expanding the enumerated list of Covered Services in Executive Order GA-23.

The original proclamation is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor

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Attachment

PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Governor of the State of Texas

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, I issued proclamations renewing the disaster declaration for all counties in Texas on April 12 and May 12, 2020; and

WHEREAS, I issued Executive Order GA-23 on May 18, 2020, to set forth an expanded list of "Covered Services" that are or will soon be allowed during the COVID-19 disaster; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order GA-23 provided that additional Covered Services could be added by proclamation thereafter; and

WHEREAS, on May 22, 2020, I added several Covered Services by proclamation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, do hereby expand further the enumerated list of Covered Services in Executive Order GA-23 by amending item 5 to permit food-court dining areas within shopping malls to open and by adding items 20(b), 21(e), and 24(a) as follows:

20. Starting at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, May 29, 2020, for all Texas counties:

    . . .

    b. Water parks that operate at up to 25 percent of the normal operating limits as determined by the venue owner or, for indoor water parks, at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the water park; provided, however, that components that have video arcades must remain closed.

21. Starting at 12:01 a.m. on Sunday, May 31, 2020, for all Texas counties:

    . . .

    e. Recreational sports programs for adults; provided, however, that practices may begin, but games and similar competitions may not begin until June 15, 2020.

24. Starting immediately for all Texas counties:

    a. Driver education programs.

Executive Order GA-23, as amended by the May 22, 2020 proclamation, is further amended to the extent provided in this proclamation, including to remove water parks as one of the venues that people shall avoid visiting. This proclamation shall remain in effect and in full force for as long as Executive Order GA-23 is in effect and in full force, unless otherwise modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the governor.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and have officially caused the Seal of State to be affixed at my office in the City of Austin, Texas, this the 26th day of May, 2020.

GREG ABBOTT
Governor

ATTESTED BY:

RUTH R. HUGHS
Secretary of State

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