COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

Executive Department

Executive Directive Eight (2020)

Directing the Superintendent of the Virginia Department of State Police to Take Certain Administrative Action Due to the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Importance of the Issue

On March 12, 2020, I declared that a state of emergency exists in the Commonwealth of Virginia due to the potential impacts of the spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19). The health and general welfare of Virginia residents require that state action be taken to help alleviate the conditions caused by this situation.

Therefore, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor under Article V of the Constitution of Virginia, § 44-146.17 of the *Code of Virginia*, and my continuing and ultimate authority and responsibility to act in such matters, I direct the Virginia Department of State Police (VSP) to undertake the following measure:

- Suspend the enforcement of Motor Vehicle Safety Inspections (MVSI) required under § 46.2-1157 of the *Code of Virginia.*

Effective Date of this Executive Directive

This Executive Directive shall be effective from March 19, 2020, 11:59:59 p.m. EDT, and shall remain in full force and effect until July 31, 2020.

Given under my hand and under the Seal of the Commonwealth of Virginia, this 19th day of March, 2020.

Ralph S. Northam, Governor

Attest:

Kelly Thomasson, Secretary of the Commonwealth