**EXECUTIVE ORDER**
**20-10**

**WHEREAS,** COVID-19 is a novel severe acute respiratory illness that is spread through close contact between persons and respiratory transmissions and is highly contagious; and

**WHEREAS**, I have been advised by the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services and the State Emergency Management Agency that there have been numerous confirmed and presumptive positive cases of COVID-19 in this state, and COVID-19 continues to pose a serious health risk for the citizens and visitors of the State of Missouri; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the presence and spread of COVID-19, I declared a state of emergency throughout the State of Missouri on March 13, 2020, and issued Executive Order 20-02; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 24, 2020, I extended the state of emergency through June 15, 2020, in Executive Order 20-09; and

**WHEREAS**, I issued Executive Orders 20-04, 20-05, 20-06, and 20-08 during the state of emergency to provide greater flexibility to the State and its residents and provide necessary resources to address the COVID-19 public health threat; and

**WHEREAS,** Executive Order 20-04 was issued on March 18, 2020, ordering the temporary suspension of certain statutory and regulatory provisions related to telemedicine, motor carriers, and teaching certifications, and vested state agencies and executive boards and commissions with authority to waive or suspend statutory or regulatory requirements, subject to my approval, where strict compliance would hinder the State's response to COVID-19, and to ease licensing requirements to eliminate barriers to the provision of health care services and other professions; and

**WHEREAS,** Executive Order 20-05 was issued on March 23, 2020, ordering the temporary suspension of prohibitions on the sale of unprepared foods by restaurants; and

**WHEREAS,** Executive Order 20-06 was issued on March 26, 2020, ordering and directing the Adjutant General of the Missouri National Guard, or his designee, to forthwith call and order into active service such portions of the organized militia as he deems necessary to aid the executive officials of Missouri and to protect life and property, and further ordering and directing that the Adjutant General or his designee, and through him, the commanding officer of any unit or other organization of such organized militia so called into active service, take such action and employ such equipment may be necessary in support of civilian authorities, and provide such assistance as may be authorized and directed by the Governor; and

**WHEREAS,** Executive Order 20-08 was issued on April 6, 2020, ordering the suspension of the personal appearance requirement for notary publics and authorizing the use of remote electronic notarizations subject to the requirements set forth in the Order; and

**WHEREAS**, the identification of additional cases in Missouri is likely to continue as we increase our testing capacity. Steps must be taken to prevent a substantial risk to public health and safety as we gradually begin to reopen Missouri's economic and social activity; and

**WHEREAS,** resources of the State of Missouri continue to be needed to address the risk of COVID-19 and to respond to a declared emergency and the increased health threat to the public; and

**WHEREAS,** Executive Orders 20-04, 20-05, 20-06, and 20-08 will expire on May 15, 2020, unless extended in whole or part; and

**WHEREAS,** I find it necessary to continue and extend Executive Orders 20-04, 20-05, 20-06, and 20-08.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL L. PARSON, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the Laws of the State of Missouri do hereby extend the provisions, in whole, of Executive Orders 20-04, 20-05, and 20-08. I also extend the order to the Adjutant General of the State of Missouri, to forthwith call and order into active service such portions of the organized militia as he deems necessary to aid the executive officials of Missouri, to protect life and property contained in Executive Order 20-06.

This Order shall terminate on June 15, 2020, unless extended in whole or part.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, on this 4th day of May, 2020.

MICHAEL L. PARSON
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

JOHN R. ASHCROFT
SECRETARY OF STATE