### OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR STATE OF HAWAI'I

## EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION RELATED TO THE STATE'S COVID-19 DELTA RESPONSE

By the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Hawai'i, to provide relief for disaster damages, losses, and suffering, and to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the people, I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor of the State of Hawai'i, hereby determine, designate and proclaim as follows:

**WHEREAS**, on March 4, 2020, I issued a **Proclamation** declaring a state of emergency to support ongoing State and county responses to the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19);

**WHEREAS**, I subsequently issued several proclamations related to the COVID-19 pandemic, including proclamations that *inter alia* suspended laws to enable State and county responses to COVID-19; implemented a mandatory self-quarantine for all persons entering the State and traveling between counties; and mandated safe practices to reduce the spread of COVID-19;

**WHEREAS**, as of October 1, 2021, the State continues its efforts to vaccinate our population and the activities of the State continue with appropriate and additional mitigation measures in place;

**WHEREAS**, despite the success of our mitigation efforts, the recorded number of cases and deaths has continued to increase at an alarming rate, with more than 79,000 documented cases of COVID-19 in the State and more than 780 deaths attributed to this disease;

**WHEREAS**, the highly contagious SARS-CoV-2 virus Delta strain, continues to cause high case numbers around the world and in the United States of America, and is responsible for nearly all of the disease spread in our State;

WHEREAS, this variant of the SARS-CoV-2 virus continues to create considerable risk of infection for members of our community who are not vaccinated, including children under the age of 12, such that COVID-19 continues to endanger the health, safety, and welfare of the people of Hawai'i and requires the serious attention, effort, and sacrifice of all people in the State to avert unmanageable strains on our healthcare system and other catastrophic

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**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor of the State of Hawai'i, hereby authorize and invoke the following as set forth herein:

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#### I. <u>Invocation of Laws</u>

For the purposes of this COVID-19 emergency only, I hereby invoke section 127A-13(a)(5), Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), as it is my opinion that it is necessary to coordinate emergency management functions. Accordingly, I direct all counties to obtain my approval, or the approval of the Director of Hawaii Emergency Management Agency (HIEMA), prior to issuing any emergency order, rule, or proclamation. I further suspend sections 127A-14(b) and 127A-25, HRS, to the limited extent necessary to ensure statewide coordination.

The following additional emergency provisions are expressly invoked, if not already in effect upon declaration of an emergency on March 4, 2020:

Sections 127A-12(a)(5), 127A-13(a)(6), and 127A-13(a)(7), HRS, directing the Director of HIEMA and the administrators of each county emergency management agency to take appropriate actions to direct or control as may be necessary for emergency management, and directing all health care facilities, health care professionals and health care volunteers to render assistance in support of the State's COVID-19 response as set forth in Executive Order No. 21-06, incorporated herein as Exhibit G.

Section 127A-12(b)(13), HRS, requiring each public utility, or any person owning, controlling, or operating a critical infrastructure, to protect and safeguard its or the person's property, or to provide for the protection and safeguarding thereof, and provide for the protection and safeguarding of all critical infrastructure and key resources; provided that without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing two clauses, the protecting or safeguarding may include the regulation or prohibition of public entry thereon, or the permission of the entry upon terms and conditions as I may prescribe.

Section 127A-12(b)(16), HRS, directing all state agencies and officers to cooperate with and extend their services, materials, and facilities as may be required to assist in emergency response efforts.

Section 127A-16, HRS, activating the Major Disaster Fund.

This (Proclamation) does not apply to the United States government or its employees and its contractors conducting official government business.

#### II. Act with Care

#### A. <u>Safe Practices, Rules, Directives and Orders</u>

All persons in the State shall wear a face covering over their nose and mouth as set forth in Exhibit A.

All persons shall comply with: applicable safety, hygiene and physical distancing guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC); rules, directives and orders issued by the State and counties, including standards and requirements adopted and issued by Hawaii Department of Health (DOH); and industry and regulatory practices for safety, hygiene and physical distancing. Any person who intentionally, knowingly or recklessly violates a DOH directive to isolate or quarantine based on the DOH's determination that they pose a risk of spreading COVID-19 shall be subject to the penalties identified in Section II.C. of this Proclamation.

All persons uploading, providing, presenting, uttering or otherwise using COVID-19 health status or COVID-19 vaccination status verification documents or codes shall comply with the Rules Relating to Falsified Documents or Codes Related to COVID-19 Health or Vaccination Status, attached hereto as Exhibit D and hereinafter referred to as "Exhibit D". All persons manufacturing, distributing, disseminating, issuing, selling, offering for sale, importing or offering to import into this State COVID-19 health status or COVID-19 vaccination status verification documents or codes shall do so in compliance with the rules set forth in Exhibit D. Any person violating these rules shall be subject to the penalties identified in Section II.C of this Proclamation, and Exhibit D.

The Rules Relating to Access to State Property, as set forth in Exhibit E, supersedes Executive Order No. 21-07 (Access to State Property).

Statewide limits on gathering sizes and guidelines relating to restaurants, bars, and social establishments are as set forth in Executive Order No. 21-05 (Statewide Limits for Social Gatherings, Restaurants, Bars and Social

Establishments), which is incorporated in, and made a part of this Proclamation as Exhibit F.

#### B. <u>Hotels</u>

All hotel operators in the State shall adopt a COVID-19 Health and Safety Plan for each property they operate while this Proclamation is in effect. A hotel property's COVID-19 Health and Safety Plan shall identify the measures the operator has enacted in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and what guests, customers, invitees, employees, contractors, vendors and other persons who enter the property's premises may expect in terms of service, accommodations and required safety protocols. A hotel property's COVID-19 Health and Safety Plan shall address all applicable guidance from the CDC and it shall be the responsibility of the hotel operator of each property to accommodate guests who become positive for COVID-19 or are identified as close contacts of a person who is positive for COVID-19, either by accommodating these guests at the property or by securing alternative accommodations. All hotel operators shall publish the COVID-19 Health and Safety Plans of each property they operate, including by making it available on their websites and by submitting it to the Hawaii Tourism Authority for posting on its website.

#### C. Force and Effect of Law

Pursuant to section 127A-25, HRS, all provisions set forth in Section II of this Proclamation are hereby adopted as rules that shall have the force and effect of law. In the event of any inconsistency, conflict or ambiguity between this Proclamation and any county emergency order, rule, directive or proclamation, the relevant documents shall be read to allow a county maximum flexibility to exercise its respective emergency management authority.

Pursuant to section 127A-29, HRS, any person who intentionally, knowingly or recklessly engages in conduct that violates any provision set forth in Section II of this Proclamation shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, the person shall be fined not more than \$5,000, or imprisoned not more than one year, or both, unless noncompliance is designated by a county as

a lesser offense, including an emergency period infraction, with lesser penalties as provided by section 127A-29, HRS.

#### III. Vaccination and Testing for State and County Employees

Pursuant to sections 127A-12(b)(10), 127A-12(b)(16), 127A-12(b)(19), 127A-13(a)(1) and 89-9(d)(8), HRS, all State and county employees must attest to their respective department, office, or agency whether they are (1) fully vaccinated for COVID-19; (2) partially vaccinated for COVID-19 (including receipt of one dose of a two-dose course of vaccination); or (3) not vaccinated for COVID-19. Consistent with guidance from the CDC, "fully vaccinated" means two weeks have passed since an employee's second dose in a two-dose series or two weeks have passed since a single-dose vaccine.

For purposes of this Proclamation, "State and county employees" means all permanent and temporary employees and volunteers of the executive branch of the State and its departments, offices, and agencies, including the Department of Education and the University of Hawai'i, and all permanent and temporary employees of each of the counties, but excluding unpaid members of boards and commissions unless they qualify as a visitor and must therefore comply with Exhibit E.

As an alternative, State and county employees who do not provide proof that (i) they are fully vaccinated for COVID-19; (ii) have completed a single-dose vaccine; or (iii) have completed the second dose of a two-dose series shall be subject to regular COVID-19 testing and may also be subject to restrictions on official travel. The testing shall occur either once or twice per week, at the discretion of the relevant State or county department, office, or agency. The location of free testing sites can be found on the COVID-19 State of Hawai'i Portal (<a href="https://hawaiicovid19.com">https://hawaiicovid19.com</a>). State and county employees not tested at a free testing site shall be responsible for any testing costs.

The requirements set forth in this Section shall be enforceable through disciplinary action, up to and including termination. A violation of the provisions of Section III shall <u>not</u> give rise to a prosecution under section 127A-29, HRS, or enforcement as an infraction under chapter 291D, HRS.

All persons entering, working or providing services in any State facility utilized by employees of the executive branch of the State, including contractors, volunteers, and members of the public, shall comply with the requirements set forth in Exhibit E.

For purposes of the requirements set forth in this Proclamation, employers are not required to pay for COVID-19 testing of employees who choose to undergo regular COVID-19 testing instead of COVID-19 vaccination, unless otherwise prohibited by law.

All State and county departments, offices, and agencies shall ensure, consistent with law, that any documentation related to vaccination status or test results obtained for purposes of this Section are not disclosed to individuals other than as necessary to ensure compliance with this Proclamation or as required by law or court order.

Notwithstanding the provisions set forth in this Section III, the mayor of any county may issue directives related to vaccinations and testing that are applicable only to that county's permanent and temporary employees, as defined by the county. Nothing in this Section III is intended or construed to preempt the mayor of any county from issuing such a vaccination mandate directive.

#### IV. Travel to the State

#### A. <u>Health Screening for Travelers to the State</u>

Pursuant to section 127A-11, HRS, all persons entering the State of Hawai'i shall submit to the mandatory screening process and complete the mandatory documentation identified in the Rules Relating to COVID-19 Screening Process and Travel Self-Quarantine, attached hereto as Exhibit B and hereinafter referred to as the "Travel Rules," and must comply with all applicable State and county rules, directives, and orders related to travelers.

#### B. <u>Self-Quarantine for Travelers to the State</u>

Pursuant to section 127A-13(a)(1), HRS, all persons entering the State of Hawai'i shall be subject to mandatory self-quarantine as provided in the Travel Rules. The period of self-quarantine shall begin from the day of entry into the State and shall last 10 days or the duration of the person's presence in the State,

whichever is shorter. Persons who require paid or commercial lodging while subject to the mandatory self-quarantine shall not designate as their quarantine location a short-term rental, as defined by the applicable ordinances in each county, or as mandated by county order, rule or directive. Where a county rule, directive or order prohibits intended residents from residing in a short-term rental, as defined by the applicable county ordinances, all intended residents of that county must designate a hotel or motel as their quarantine location. The self-quarantine mandated in the Travel Rules, or any waiver or exemption therefrom, does not affect or in any way impede or supersede the authority of CDC, or DOH pursuant to sections 321-1 and 325-8, HRS, to require persons to quarantine if they test positive for COVID-19 or if they are a close contact of a person confirmed positive for COVID-19, regardless of whether a negative test result was subsequently obtained.

#### 1. <u>Self-Quarantine Exemptions</u>

Persons entering the State to perform critical infrastructure functions shall be subject to self-quarantine but may obtain a limited exemption to break self-quarantine when performing their critical infrastructure functions. Persons seeking such an exemption should visit travelexemption.hawaii.gov. If granted an exemption, persons shall comply with all conditions and requirements set forth in the limited exemption, including any required testing protocols, and be subject to all quarantine restrictions when not performing their critical infrastructure work or engaging in the activity expressly exempted. Only persons who have an exemption from the State may temporarily break self-quarantine and only for the purposes identified in the written exemption. Persons who fail to comply with Section II.A of this Proclamation or any conditions of their limited exemption shall render such exemption void.

Persons who previously tested positive for COVID-19 but are no longer at risk of infecting others may obtain an exemption allowing them to break quarantine. The conditions under which a person qualifies for this exemption shall be set forth by DOH, whose guidance on this type of exemption is subject to change.

A travel self-quarantine exemption from the State does not require businesses or operations to recognize the exemption. In addition, such an exemption does not affect or in any way impede or supersede the authority of DOH to require persons to quarantine pursuant to sections 321-1 and 325-8, HRS.

#### 2. <u>Self-Quarantine Exceptions</u>

The following persons entering the State shall not be subject to selfquarantine: (1) persons who enter by boat into any harbor that had been at sea for at least 10 consecutive days before entering State waters and have no persons on board who are ill or are exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19; (2) persons who, prior to departure to the State, comply with all the requirements of the State's Safe Travels program regarding obtaining a negative test result from an approved provider within 72 hours from the final leg of departure and otherwise comply fully with the Travel Rules; or (3) persons who, prior to departure to the State, comply with <u>all</u> the requirements of the State's Safe Travels program regarding validating completion of a vaccination regimen approved by DOH, provide consent and authorization to access vaccination information as set forth in the Safe Travels program and otherwise comply fully with the Travel Rules. Persons under the age of five accompanied by a traveler who meets one of the enumerated exceptions are not required to obtain a test prior to arrival. To the limited extent necessary to effectuate the third exception, and only as expressly allowed by the consents and authorizations voluntarily provided as part of the Safe Travels program by persons wishing to apply for the third exception, DOH and providers of vaccinations may use and disclose protected health information as expressly allowed by the State's Safe Travels program.

A county may require travelers five years and older to obtain a subsequent test after arrival into the State, which test shall be paid for and administered by the county at a county-designated site. Persons who arrive in a county that requires a subsequent test do not need to self-quarantine prior to obtaining the subsequent test. A county requiring travelers to obtain this subsequent test shall

integrate the test protocol into the State's Safe Travels program and implement it through county emergency orders, rules or proclamations approved in accordance with Section I of this Proclamation.

#### C. Host Responsibility

All hosts of any guest(s) within the State of Hawai'i shall be responsible for ensuring their guest(s) abide by the mandatory self-quarantine set forth in Sections IV.A and B above. A commercial lodging that implements single-use room keys to ensure compliance with the mandatory self-quarantine shall not be liable under this paragraph but shall promptly notify law enforcement if it determines a guest(s) has violated self-quarantine.

Any host violates this Section if the host intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly fails to notify law enforcement immediately: when a guest(s) subject to the self-quarantine fails to remain within the confines of their designated quarantine location or when a guest(s) subject to self-quarantine obtains subsequent lodging with the host after leaving the confines of their designated quarantine location during their period of self-quarantine.

It shall be the duty of all hosts to ascertain the period of self-quarantine for their guest(s) and to determine whether their guest(s) remain confined to their designated quarantine location throughout the period of self-quarantine. It shall not be a defense to a violation of this Section that the host did not know the period of self-quarantine for their guest(s), that they did not know their guest(s) were subject to the mandatory self-quarantine, or that they did not know their guest(s) had failed to remain within the confines of the designated quarantine location.

For purposes of this Section, the following definitions apply:

"Designated quarantine location" means any hotel, motel, house, townhouse, condominium, or apartment in the State of Hawai'i, that is or will be occupied, with the permission of the owner, renter, lessor, or manager of the accommodations, by persons entering the State of Hawai'i during their period of quarantine. In the case of hotels, motels, townhouses, condominiums, and

apartments, "designated quarantine location" refers to the person's individual room or unit.

"Hosts" means any individual, partnership, corporation, company, association, or any other person, group, or entity, who is the owner, renter, or lessor of any designated quarantine location or who provides lodging to a person subject to the mandatory self-quarantine.

"Guest or guest(s)" means any person or persons subject to mandatory self-quarantine who are renting, leasing, or otherwise occupying any designated quarantine location from a host during the period of self-quarantine.

"Period of self-quarantine" means the period of time that begins the day a person enters the State of Hawai'i and lasts the number of days set forth in Section IV.B or the duration of the person's presence in the State, whichever is shorter.

#### D. <u>Prohibition on Renting Vehicles</u>

Persons subject to self-quarantine pursuant to Section IV of this Proclamation are prohibited from renting motor vehicles in the State, whether through a rental car company, online service, or through a peer-to-peer platform or car sharing service including but not limited to Turo and Zipcar. Any reservations or confirmation of reservations by a person subject to self-quarantine shall be presumed to be the rental of a motor vehicle in violation of this order.

For purposes of this Section:

"Period of self-quarantine" is as set forth above in Section IV.B.

"Motor vehicle" means an automobile, motorcycle, moped, or other vehicle propelled by a motor, whether gasoline, electric, or hybrid, which is offered for rent or lease within the State of Hawai'i through any car sharing service.

#### E. Car Sharing Services Responsibility

All persons who provide motor vehicles through peer-to-peer platforms or car sharing services, including but not limited to Turo and Zipcar (hereinafter collectively referred to as "car sharing services"), shall be responsible for ensuring that they do not rent, lease, or otherwise provide any motor vehicle to any person subject to a self-quarantine, whether a visitor or returning resident, during the person's period of self-quarantine.

Any person violates this Section if the person intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly provides a motor vehicle through a car sharing service to a person subject to the self-quarantine.

It shall be the duty of all persons providing a motor vehicle through a car sharing service to determine whether the person is seeking to obtain the vehicle during the person's period of self-quarantine. It shall not be a defense to a violation of this Section that a person providing a motor vehicle through a car sharing service did not know the person seeking the motor vehicle was subject to the mandatory self-quarantine.

For purposes of this Section:

"Period of self-quarantine" is as set forth above in Section IV.B.

"Motor vehicle" is as set forth above in Section IV.D.

#### F. Force and Effect of Law

Pursuant to section 127A-25, HRS, all provisions set forth in Section IV of this Proclamation and the Travel Rules are hereby adopted as rules and shall have the force and effect of law.

Pursuant to section 127A-29, HRS, any person who intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly engages in conduct that violates Section IV of this Proclamation or the Travel Rules shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, the person shall be fined not more than \$5,000, or imprisoned not more than one year, or both, unless noncompliance is designated by a county as a lesser offense with lesser penalties as provided by section 127A-29, HRS.

#### V. <u>Suspension of Laws</u>

The following provisions of law are suspended, but only as explicitly set forth below and as allowed by federal law, pursuant to section 127A-13(a)(3), HRS:

Section 89-9, HRS, **scope of negotiations; consultation**, section 89-10(d), HRS, **written agreements; enforceability; cost items**, and section 89-13, HRS, **prohibited practices**, to the extent necessary to allow State and

county departments, agencies, and other public entities to implement policies, practices, procedures, and to take other actions necessary to mitigate risks posed by COVID-19 and its variants, including but not limited to imposition of requirements pertaining to or requiring employee testing and/or vaccination. This suspension ensures government can provide essential services safely and is necessary for the execution of emergency functions, including the efficient execution of Section III.

Section 91-4(b)(2), HRS, **filing and taking effect of rules**, only for the limited purpose of allowing departments and agencies to adopt emergency rules to respond to the COVID-19 emergency pursuant to section 91-3(b), HRS, and to suspend the publication requirement for an emergency rule adopted pursuant to section 91-3(b), HRS. Rules previously promulgated pursuant to proclamations related to the COVID-19 emergency shall be separately promulgated by the relevant agencies or boards pursuant to section 91-3(b), HRS. All agencies adopting such rules are required to comply with all other requirements of section 91-4(b)(2), HRS, by filing the rules with the Lieutenant Governor of the State and including the agency's findings and a brief statement of the reasons for the promulgation of any emergency rules. All relevant agencies also shall ensure the emergency rules, agency findings, and a brief statement of the reasons for the promulgation are posted on their agency website.

Chapter 92, HRS, **public agency meetings and records**, only to the extent necessary to minimize the potential spread of COVID-19 and its variants. This suspension ensures boards can conduct meetings safely under the sunshine law using interactive conference technology, while retaining the option to conduct traditional in-person meetings at a single meeting site or at multiple meeting sites connected by interactive, audiovisual conference technology. If an in-person meeting site is not feasible under COVID-19 restrictions, testifiers shall be provided the option to testify audiovisually. Meetings shall be conducted according to the requirements established in Exhibit C attached hereto, which incorporates the intent of the Legislature in Act 220 (2021).

Section 103-53, HRS, contracts with the State or counties; tax clearances, assignments, and section 103D-310(c), HRS, responsibility of offerors, only to the extent necessary to waive the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) tax clearance requirement. Due to COVID-19, the IRS has been unable to provide federal tax clearances timely and currently, there are approximately 1000 such requests pending with the IRS. Without a federal tax clearance, prospective contractors are unable to obtain a Hawai'i Compliance Express certificate and are unable to enter or receive final payments on contracts with the State and counties.

Section 127A-25(c), HRS, **rules and orders**, only to the extent that rules adopted pursuant to chapter 127A, HRS, need not be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the State. This suspension reduces costs and avoids duplication because such rules shall be posted on the applicable state or county government website or by other means of official announcement, as provided by this Section, to ensure content reaches the attention of the general public.

Section 127A-30, HRS, rental or sale of essential commodities during a state of emergency; prohibition against price increases. This suspension addresses the otherwise automatic invocation of this provision during an emergency.

Section 286-106, HRS, **expiration of licenses**, except subsection (3) relating to expiration at end of legal time in the United States; sections 286-107(a) and (h), HRS, **license renewals**; **procedures and requirements**; section 286-107.5, HRS, **reactivation of expired license**; **fees**; **road test waived**; section 286-110(c)(1), (f), (g) and (h), **instruction permits**; and section 286-306(a), HRS, **expiration**; **renewal**; **replacement**. The suspension of these sections enables the Director of Transportation to waive or extend the renewal, expiration, or other deadlines for licenses that occurred or will occur during the emergency period. They ensure that renewals can occur without restarting the application process. These suspensions also ensure the counties can safely conduct in-person operations at county satellite city halls and driver licensing centers.

Section 286-236(e), HRS, **commercial driver's license qualification standards**, only to the extent necessary to address the school bus driver shortage by allowing commercial motor vehicle license holders with an "S" endorsement to operate a school bus.

Sections 302D-12(h)(1) - (5), HRS, charter school governing boards; powers and duties, only to the extent necessary to minimize the potential spread of COVID-19 and its variants. This suspension ensures the governing board of a charter school can safely conduct business in person or through remote technology. The governing boards shall consider reasonable measures to allow public participation consistent with physical distancing practices, such as providing notice of meetings, allowing submission of written testimony on agendized items, live streaming meetings, and posting minutes of meetings online. Because charter school governing boards are exempt from chapter 92, HRS, the suspension of sections 302D-12(h)(1) - (5), HRS, allows the charter school governing boards to hold meetings open to the public through remote technology. Charter school governing boards are encouraged to use the provisions of Exhibit C wherever possible.

Section 323D-44.5, HRS, administrative review of certain applications for certificate of need, only to the extent necessary to enable the State Health Planning and Development Agency (SHPDA) to conduct public information meetings without the certificate of need applicant, the person(s) requesting the meeting, or members of the public physically to be present in the same location. This suspension ensures that SHPDA can safely conduct public information meetings, which are exempt from chapter 92, HRS, using interactive conference technology. If SHPDA has the staffing, technological and other resources to hold a secure video-teleconference, i.e., both video and audio, it must in good faith attempt to provide the certificate of need applicant, the person(s) requesting the meeting, and the public with the opportunity to observe the meeting as it happens and an opportunity to provide oral testimony. No SHPDA action shall be invalid if SHPDA's good faith efforts to implement remote technology for observation, listening, or providing testimony do not work. If SHPDA does not have the

staffing, technological or other resources to hold a secure video-teleconference, i.e., it is limited to audio only, it must provide the certificate of need applicant, the person(s) requesting the meeting, and the public with the opportunity to listen to the meeting as it happens and should make a good faith effort to provide an opportunity to provide oral testimony.

Section 353-62(b)(5), HRS, Hawaii paroling authority; responsibilities and duties; operations; records, reports, staff, and related administrative rules, only to the extent necessary to allow a hearing before a panel of at least two members of the paroling authority in all cases, and section 353-63, HRS, service of Hawaii paroling authority members; compensation; expenses, only to the extent necessary to allow compensation paid to part-time members of the Hawaii paroling authority to exceed eighty percent of the total regular working hours in a month. All other requirements and limitations set forth in section 353-63, HRS, shall remain in full force and effect. These limited suspensions of chapter 353, HRS, ensure the Hawaii Paroling Authority can address the increased volume of parole hearings caused by the COVID-19 emergency and also postpone certain hearings when facilities enter a COVID-19-related lockdown requiring medical isolation, cohorting and quarantine measures.

Section 388-6(6), HRS, **withholding of wages**, only to the extent necessary to clarify that employers are not required to cover the costs of COVID-19 testing incurred by employees who choose testing instead of vaccination as part of a workplace vaccination and/or testing policy.

Section 453-2, HRS, **license required; exceptions**, and chapters 16-85, HAR, **medical examiners**, and 16-93, HAR, **osteopaths**, only to the extent necessary to allow out-of-state physicians, osteopathic physicians, and physician assistants with a current and active license, or those previously licensed pursuant to chapter 453, HRS, but who are no longer current and active, to practice in Hawai'i without a license. These suspensions ensure all health care demands are met while Hawai'i continues to respond to the impacts of COVID-19 and its variants. These suspensions only apply where a license has not previously been revoked or suspended and where hiring is by a state or county

agency or facility, or by a hospital, including related clinics and rehabilitation hospitals, a nursing home, hospice, pharmacy, or clinical laboratory, or other health care entity.

Section 457-1, HRS, **purpose**, and chapter 16-89, HAR, **nurses**, only to the extent necessary to allow out-of-state licensed practical nurses, registered nurses, advanced practice registered nurses, and advance practice registered nurses with prescriptive authority with a current and active license, or those previously licensed pursuant to chapter 457, HRS, but who are no longer current and active, to practice in Hawai'i without a license. These suspensions ensure all health care demands are met while Hawai'i continues to respond to the impacts of COVID-19 and its variants. These suspensions only apply where a license has not previously been revoked or suspended and where hiring is by a state or county agency or facility, or by a hospital, including related clinics and rehabilitation hospitals, a nursing home, hospice, pharmacy, clinical laboratory, or other health care entity.

Section 457-7, HRS, registered nurses; qualifications; licenses; fees; title; existing licensed nurses; verification of licenses; eligibility, only to the extent necessary to waive the licensure and accompanying requirements so as to permit graduates, after May 1, 2020, of nursing education programs approved by the State Board of Nursing or a national accrediting body, to be employed to practice nursing under the supervision of a registered nurse, with the endorsement of the employing health care entity. This suspension is necessary because the capacity of testing centers to provide testing opportunities has been significantly reduced by the need to comply with social distancing and other site safety requirements.

Section 457-8, HRS, licensed practical nurse; qualifications; license; fees; title; existing licensed nurses; verification of licenses; eligibility, only to the extent necessary to waive the licensure and accompanying requirements so as to permit graduates, after May 1, 2020, of nursing education programs approved by the State Board of Nursing or a national accrediting body, to be employed to practice nursing under the supervision of a registered licensed

practical nurse, with the endorsement of the employing health care entity. This suspension is necessary because the capacity of testing centers to provide testing opportunities has been significantly reduced by the need to comply with social distancing and other site safety requirements.

Section 457-8.5, HRS, advanced practice registered nurse; qualifications; licensure; endorsement; fees; eligibility, only to the extent necessary to waive the licensure and accompanying requirements so as to permit graduates, after May 1, 2020, of an accredited graduate-level education program preparing the nurse for one of the four recognized advanced practice registered nurse roles licensed by the State Board of Nursing, to be employed to practice as an advanced practice registered nurse, with the endorsement of the employing health care entity. This suspension is necessary because the capacity of testing centers to provide testing opportunities has been significantly reduced by the need to comply with social distancing and other site safety requirements.

Section 461-5, HRS, qualifications for license, and section 461-6, HRS, examination; license, only to the extent necessary to waive the licensure and accompanying requirements to permit graduates, after May 1, 2020, of a pharmacy college accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education, to be employed to practice pharmacy under the supervision of a registered pharmacist, with the endorsement of the employing health care entity. These suspensions are necessary because the capacity of testing centers to provide testing opportunities has been significantly reduced by the need to comply with social distancing and other site safety requirements.

Section 465-7.6, HRS, **licensure of state employed clinical psychologists**, only to the extent necessary to allow personnel in civil service clinical psychologist positions to continue the practice of psychology without having obtained licensure under chapter 465, HRS. This suspension allows state agencies to continue providing essential mental health services.

Section 466D-3, HRS, **license required**, and section 466D-9, HRS, **licensure by endorsement**, only to the extent necessary to allow an out-of-state respiratory therapist with a current and active license, or those previously

licensed pursuant to chapter 466D, HRS, but who are no longer current and active, to practice in Hawai'i without a license. These suspensions ensure all health care demands are met while Hawai'i continues to respond to the impacts of COVID-19 and its variants. These suspensions only apply where a license has not previously been revoked or suspended and where hiring is by a state or county agency or facility, or by a hospital, including related clinics and rehabilitation hospitals, a nursing home, hospice, pharmacy, clinical laboratory, or other health care entity.

Section 466J-4, HRS, **licenses required**, only to the extent necessary to allow an out-of-state radiographer, radiation therapist and nuclear medicine technologist licensed and in good standing in another state or foreign jurisdiction with comparable licensing requirements, or those previously licensed pursuant to chapter 466J-5, HRS, but who are no longer current and active, to practice in Hawai'i without a license. This suspension ensures all health care demands are met while Hawai'i continues to respond to the impacts of COVID-19 and its variants. The suspension only applies where a license has not previously been revoked or suspended and where hiring is by a state or county agency or facility, or by a hospital, including related clinics and rehabilitation hospitals, a nursing home, hospice, pharmacy, clinical laboratory, or other health care entity.

Sections 706-669 and 706-670, HRS, **disposition of convicted defendants**, only to the extent these sections and related administrative rules prescribe time limits for matters before the Hawaii Paroling Authority. These suspensions address any delays caused when state facilities must implement measures necessitated by the COVID-19 emergency, including medical isolation, cohorting, quarantine and transfer restrictions.

#### VI. Severability

If any provision of this Proclamation is rendered or declared illegal for any reason, or shall be invalid or unenforceable, such provision shall be modified or deleted, and the remainder of this Proclamation and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby but shall be enforced to the greatest extent permitted by applicable law.

#### VII. Enforcement

No provision of this Proclamation, or any rule or regulation hereunder, shall be construed as authorizing any private right of action to enforce any requirement of this Proclamation, or of any rule or regulation. Unless the Governor, Director of HIEMA, or their designee issues an express order to a non-judicial public officer, no provision of this Proclamation, or any rule or regulation hereunder, shall be construed as imposing any ministerial duty upon any non-judicial public officer and shall not bind the officer to any specific course of action or planning in response to the pandemic or interfere with the officer's authority to utilize his or her discretion.

I FURTHER DECLARE that this Proclamation supersedes all prior proclamations issued by me related to the COVID-19 emergency, and that the disaster emergency relief period shall continue through November 30, 2021, unless terminated or superseded by a separate proclamation, whichever shall occur first.

Done at the State Capitol, this 1st day of October 2021.

DAVID Y. IGE, Governor of Hawai'i

APPROVED:

Clare E. Connors Attorney General State of Hawai'i

## EXHIBIT A Statewide Face Covering Requirement

#### **EXHIBIT B**

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Restatement of Executive Order No. 21-05 (Statewide Limits for Social Gatherings, Restaurants, Bars, and Social Establishments)

#### **EXHIBIT G**

Restatement of Executive Order No. 21-06 (Healthcare Facilities and Professionals)

#### **Face Coverings**

All individuals shall wear face coverings over their noses and mouths when in public settings.

The only exceptions to this requirement are:

- A. Individuals with medical conditions or disabilities where the wearing of a face covering may pose a health or safety risk to the individual;
- B. Children under the age of 5;
- C. While working at a desk or work station and not actively engaged with other employees, customers, or visitors, provided that the individual's desk or workstation is not located in a common or shared area and physical distancing of at least six (6) feet is maintained;
- D. While eating, drinking, smoking, as permitted by applicable law;
- E. Inside private automobiles, provided the only occupants are members of the same household/living unit/residence or all occupants have been vaccinated with a vaccination regimen approved by the Department of Health;
- F. While receiving services allowed under a State or county order, rule, or proclamation that require access to that individual's nose or mouth;
- G. Where federal or state safety or health regulations, or a financial institution's policy (based on security concerns), prohibit the wearing of facial coverings;
- H. Individuals who are communicating with the hearing impaired while actively communicating (e.g., signing or lip reading);
- I. First responders (police, fire fighters, lifeguards, etc.) to the extent that wearing face coverings may impair or impede the safety of the first responder in the performance of his/her duty;
- J. While outdoors; and
- K. As specifically allowed by a provision of a State or county COVID-19 related order, rule, or proclamation.

An owner or operator of any business or operation *shall* refuse admission or service to any individual who fails to wear a face covering, unless an exception applies under this section. Businesses or operations may adopt stricter protocols or requirements related to face coverings and face shields. Businesses or operations not enforcing this rule may be subject to enforcement, including fines and mandatory closure.

Definition: "Face covering" as used herein means a tightly woven fabric (without holes, vents, or valves) that is secured to the head with either ties or straps, or simply wrapped and tied around the wearer's nose and mouth. Face coverings must comply with the recommendations of the Center for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC"), as such recommendations may change from time to

time. The current CDC guidelines are available at https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/about-face-coverings.html. Examples of compliant homemade masks and other facial coverings may be found at: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html. A medical grade face-covering is not required.

Face shields (plexiglass/clear plastic shields, etc.) are not permitted as substitutes for face coverings unless an exception to the face covering requirement applies. Individuals who are unable to wear a face covering due to medical conditions or disabilities where the wearing of a face covering may pose a health or safety risk to the person, or other exception, are encouraged to wear a face shield instead.

The wearing of face coverings is intended to complement, not serve as a substitute, for physical distancing and cleanliness.

Any seller of face coverings, or materials or supplies to make or manufacture such face coverings, shall abide by Haw. Rev. Stat. §127A-30.

**EXHIBIT B** 

## Rules Relating to COVID-19 Screening Process and Travel Self-Quarantine (amended)

- \$1 Purpose and Authority
- §2 Definitions
- §3 Health Screening
- §4 Mandatory Self-Quarantine
- §5 Order of Self Quarantine
- §6 Falsified Vaccination Documents
- §7 Defenses
- §8 Costs to be Paid by Quarantined Person
- §9 Criminal Penalties
- §1 <u>Purpose and Authority.</u> These rules are adopted pursuant to sections 127A-11, 12, 13, 25, 29, and 31, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to respond to the COVID-19 emergency declared by the Governor and have the force and effect of law.
- \$2 <u>Definitions</u>. "Health Screening" means a process used to detect the presence of a communicable or dangerous disease in an individual and may include the measuring of a person's temperature through thermal temperature screening, and the administration of one or more questionnaires used to conduct surveillance of disease activity or to determine to whom a diagnostic tool is administered.

"Mandatory State of Hawaii Travel and Health Form" means a form or questionnaire developed by the State for travelers. It may be amended from time to time by the Director of Emergency Management, and amendments shall be posted on the websites for the Governor and the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency.

"Order for Self-Quarantine" means an order from the Director of Emergency Management directing a mandatory self-quarantine. It may be amended from time to time by the Director of Emergency Management, and amendments shall be posted on the websites for the Governor and the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency.

"State approved COVID-19 test" means a test to determine the presence of active COVID-19 infection that has been approved for use under these rules by the Hawaii Department of Health (DOH) and is administered through a Trusted Testing Partner. Currently approved is the processing by laboratories that are licensed or certified by Clinical Laboratories Improvement Amendments (CLIA) of specimens for nucleic acid amplification testing approved or authorized by the United States Food and

Drug Administration, pursuant to an Emergency Use Authorization or other authorization for COVID-19 testing.

"Thermal temperature screening" means a non-contact means of measuring a person's temperature.

- §3 <u>Health Screening.</u> All persons entering the State of Hawaii shall submit to a health screening as determined by the Director of Emergency Management to be necessary to prevent the spread of COVID-19 to protect the public health and safety. Any person violates this section if the person intentionally, knowingly or recklessly:
  - (1) Refuses or fails to truthfully, accurately and fully complete a Mandatory State of Hawaii Travel and Health Form defined in Section 2; or
  - (2) Refuses or fails to undergo thermal temperature screening conducted by state personnel.
- §4 Mandatory Self-Quarantine. (a) As set forth in the Governor's Emergency Proclamation Related to the COVID-19 Response and Recovery, travelers shall be subject to mandatory self-quarantine, except:
  - (1) those persons performing critical infrastructure functions or who have otherwise been exempted; or
  - (2) those persons who have obtained a negative COVID-19 test result for a State approved COVID-19 test in compliance with all requirements of the State's Safe Travels program.
  - (3) those persons who have obtained validation that they have completed a vaccination regimen approved by the DOH and in compliance with all requirements of the State's Safe Travels program.
- (b) The period of self-quarantine shall begin from the day of entry into the State and shall last 10 days or the duration of the person's presence in the State, whichever is shorter.
  - §5 Order of Self Quarantine.
- (a) All persons subject to mandatory self-quarantine shall remain in self-quarantine for 10 days, which shall begin from the day of entry into the State, or the duration of the person's presence in the State of Hawaii, whichever is shorter.
- (b) Any person subject to such quarantine violates this section if the person intentionally, knowingly or recklessly:
  - (1) Refuses or fails to truthfully, accurately and fully complete the Order for Self-Quarantine;
  - (2) Refuses or fails to enter or remain within the confines of the quarantine location designated by the

- person to the Director of Emergency Management or the Director's authorized representative for the period of self-quarantine;
- (3) Refuses or fails to follow any of the orders contained within the Order for Self-Quarantine; or
- (4) Refuses or fails to obey the orders of the Director of Emergency Management or the Director's authorized representative.
- (b) Any person violates this rule if the person intentionally, knowingly or recklessly uploads, provides, presents, utters or otherwise uses a falsified document verifying their COVID-19 vaccination information.
  - A document verifying a person's COVID-19 Vaccination information ("document") is falsified if:
    i) the person uploading, providing, presenting, uttering or
  - the person uploading, providing, presenting, uttering or otherwise using the [card] document, did not receive the vaccination(s) as stated on the [card] document; or
- ii) the person uploading, providing, presenting, uttering or otherwise using the document, is an adult who is uploading, providing, presenting, uttering, or otherwise using the document on behalf of a minor, and the minor has not received the vaccination(s) as stated on the document.

  The provisions of Exhibit D, Rules Relating to Falsified Documents or Codes Related to COVID-19 Health or Vaccination Status, apply to these rules and are incorporated herein.
- §7 <u>Defenses.</u> It shall be an affirmative defense to a violation of Sections 4 and 5 of the Rules Relating to COVID-19 Screening Process and Travel Self-Quarantine if the person:
  - (1) Entered the State by boat into any harbor that had been at sea for at least 10 consecutive days before entering State waters and has no persons on board who are ill or are exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19;
  - (2) Obtained a negative COVID-19 test result for a State approved COVID-19 test in compliance with all requirements of the State's Safe Travels program, including use of an approved provider for a test administered within 72 hours from the final leg of departure and whose negative test results for the

- COVID-19 disease are either uploaded into the State's Safe Travels program prior to departure or are received by the traveler prior to the traveler's departure and provided upon arrival;
- (3) Applied for an exemption from mandatory selfquarantine through travelexemption.hawaii.gov and receives confirmation of the exemption from covidexemption@hawaii.gov, and breaks self-quarantine for the sole purpose of performing critical infrastructure functions, wears appropriate protective gear, and follows the safe practices identified in the Proclamation; or
- (4) Obtained validation of a completed vaccination regimen approved by the Department of Health and in compliance with all requirements of the State's Safe Travels program.
- (5) Is otherwise exempt from the self-quarantine requirements.
- §8 Costs to be Paid by Quarantined Person. Any person under the mandatory self-quarantine prescribed by these rules shall be responsible for all costs associated with that person's quarantine, including transport, lodging, food, medical care, and any other expenses to sustain the person during the self-quarantine period.
- §9 <u>Criminal Penalties.</u> (a) Any person who intentionally, knowingly or recklessly engages in conduct that violates any of these rules shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction, the person shall be fined not more than \$5,000, or imprisoned not more than one year, or both, unless noncompliance is designated as an emergency period infraction with penalties adopted as provided by section 127A-29, HRS.
- (b) Penalties prescribed by these rules are in addition to any other lawful penalties established by law.

# Rules Relating to [Contested Cases and ]Sunshine Law (amended)

[Subchapter 1 Contested Cases

<del>§1</del> —	Purpose and authority
<del>§2</del>	Limited Suspension
§3	Contested Cases; notice; hearing; interactive conference technology; records
State amer heari Beca effec	Purpose and Authority. Senate Bill 873, passed by the 2021 Legislature of the of Hawaii and signed into law by the Governor on July 1, 2021 as Act 168, and Section 91-9, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), to authorize contested case ings to be conducted through the use of interactive conference technology. The section of the section of the Legislature's intent prior to the effective date. These rules adopt the sions of Act 168 in their entirety to address the current emergency response and very.
Statu	e rules are adopted pursuant to section 127A-11, 13, and 25, Hawaii Revised ates, to respond to the COVID-19 emergency declared by the Governor and have broke and effect of law.
<del>to er</del>	<u>Limited Suspension.</u> Section 91-9, HRS, is suspended to the extent necessary nable contested case hearings to be conducted through the use of interactive erence technology.
<del>Šubj</del> e	Contested cases; notice; hearing; interactive conference technology; records. (a) ect to section 91-8.5, HRS, in any contested case, all parties shall be afforded an artunity for hearing after reasonable notice.  (b) The notice shall include a statement of:  (1) The date, time, place, and nature of hearing;  (2) The legal authority under which the hearing is to be held;  (3) The particular sections of the statutes and rules involved;  (4) An explicit statement in plain language of the issues involved and the facts alleged by the agency in support thereof; provided that if the agency is unable to state [such] the issues and facts in detail at the time the notice is served, the initial notice may be limited to a statement of the issues involved, and thereafter upon application a bill of particulars shall be furnished; and  (5) The fact that any party may retain counsel if the party so desires
	and the fact that an individual may appear on the individual's own behalf, or a member of a partnership may represent the partnership, or an officer or authorized employee of a corporation or trust or association may represent the corporation, trust, or association.

- (c) The hearing may be held by interactive conference technology that allows interaction by the agency, any party, and counsel if retained by the party, and the notice identifies electronic contact information for each agency, party, and counsel if retained by the party. A contested case hearing held by interactive conference technology shall be recessed for up to one hour when audio communication cannot be maintained; provided that the hearing may reconvene when only audio communication is reestablished. If audio-only communication is reestablished, then each speaker shall state the speaker's name prior to making remarks.

  (d) Opportunities shall be afforded all parties to present evidence and argument on all issues involved[.]; provided that, if the hearing is held by interactive conference technology evidence may be submitted and exchanged by electronic means.
- - (f) For the purpose of agency decisions, the record shall include:
    - (1) All pleadings, motions, intermediate rulings;
    - (2) Evidence received or considered, including oral testimony, exhibits, and a statement of matters officially noticed;
    - (3) Offers of proof and rulings thereon;
    - (4) Proposed findings and exceptions;
    - (5) Report of the officer who presided at the hearing; and
  - (6) Staff memoranda submitted to members of the agency in connection with their consideration of the case.
- (g) It shall not be necessary to transcribe the record unless requested for purposes of rehearing or court review.
- (h) No matters outside the record shall be considered by the agency in making its decision except as provided herein."
- (i) For the purposes of this subsection, "interactive conference technology" means any form of audio or audio and visual conference technology, including teleconference, videoconference, and voice over internet protocol, that facilitates interaction between the agency, any party, and counsel if retained by the party.]

#### [Subchapter 2 Sunshine Law]

- §1 Purpose and authority
- §2 Limited Suspension
- §3 Remote meeting by interactive conference technology; notice; quorum.
- §4 Definition of "interactive conference technology"
- §5 In-person meeting at multiple sites by interactive conference technology; notice; quorum.
- §6 Notice

§1 Purpose and Authority. Senate Bill 1034, passed by the 2021 Legislature of the State of Hawaii and signed into law by the Governor on July 6, 2021 as Act 220, amends Chapter 92, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), and allows boards the option to use interactive conference technology to conduct remote meetings under the sunshine law, while still retaining the option to conduct traditional in-person meetings at a single meeting site or at multiple meeting sites connected by interactive conference technology. Because Act 220 takes effect on January 1, 2022, it is necessary to adopt these rules to effectuate the Legislature's intent prior to the effective date. These rules are based on the provisions of Act 220 with minor revisions to address the current emergency response and recovery.

These rules are adopted pursuant to section 127A-11, 13 and 25, HRS, to respond to the COVID-19 emergency declared by the Governor and have the force and effect of law.

- §2 <u>Limited Suspension.</u> Chapter 92, HRS, Part I, Meetings, is suspended to the extent necessary to enable boards as defined in Section 92-2, HRS, to conduct meetings without any board members or members of the public physically present in the same location. The physical locations of the board members need not be listed on the agenda. Specifically, section 92-3.5(a) through (c), and section 92-7, HRS, are suspended
- Remote meeting by interactive conference technology; notice; quorum. (a). A board may hold a remote meeting by interactive conference technology; provided that the interactive conference technology used by the board allows audiovisual interaction among all members of the board participating in the meeting and all members of the public attending the meeting, except as otherwise provided under this section. A board holding a remote meeting pursuant to this section shall not be required to allow members of the public to join board members in person at nonpublic locations where board members are physically present or to identify those locations in the notice required by section 92-7, HRS; provided that at the meeting, each board member shall state who, if anyone, is present at the nonpublic location with the member. The notice required by section 92-7, HRS, shall:
  - (1) [[Intentionally left blank]]Inform members of the public how a testifier can request to provide audiovisual oral testimony; and
  - (2) Inform members of the public how to contemporaneously:
    - (A) Remotely view the video and audio of the meeting through internet streaming or other means; and
    - (B) Provide remote oral testimony in a manner that allows board members and other meeting participants to hear the testimony, whether through an internet link, a telephone conference, or other means.

The board may provide locations open for public participation. The notice required by section 92-7, HRS, and section 6 of these rules, shall list any locations open for public

participation and specify, in the event a location loses its audiovisual connection to the remote meeting, whether the meeting will continue without that location or will be automatically recessed to restore communication as provided in subsection (c).

- (b) Boards are encouraged to consider the following guidelines for a remote meeting held by interactive conference technology pursuant to this section:
  - (1) The interactive conference technology used by the board shall allow interaction among all members of the board participating in the meeting and all members of the public attending the meeting;
  - (2) Except as provided in subsections (c) and (d), a quorum of board members participating in the meeting shall be visible and audible to other members and the public during the meeting; provided that no other meeting participants shall be required to be visible during the meeting;
  - (3) Any board member participating in a meeting by interactive conference technology shall be considered present at the meeting for the purpose of determining compliance with the quorum and voting requirements of the board;
  - (4) At the start of the meeting the presiding officer shall announce the names of the participating members;
  - (5) All votes shall be conducted by roll call unless unanimous; and
  - (6) When practicable, boards shall record meetings open to the public and make the recording of any meeting electronically available to the public as soon as practicable after a meeting and until a time as the minutes required by section 92-9, HRS, are electronically posted on the board's website.
- (c) A meeting held by interactive conference technology shall be automatically recessed for up to thirty minutes to restore communication when audiovisual communication cannot be maintained with all members participating in the meeting or with any public location identified in the board's notice or with the remote public broadcast identified in the board's notice pursuant to subsection (a)(2)(A). subsection shall not apply based on the inability of a member of the public to maintain an audiovisual connection to the remote public broadcast, unless the remote public broadcast itself is not transmitting an audiovisual link to the meeting. The meeting may reconvene when either audiovisual communication is restored, or audio-only communication is established after an unsuccessful attempt to restore audiovisual communication, but only if the board has provided reasonable notice to the public as to how to access the reconvened meeting after an interruption to communication. If audioonly communication is established, then each speaker shall be required to state their name before making their remarks. Within fifteen minutes after audio-only communication is established, copies of nonconfidential visual aids that are required by or brought to the meeting by board members or as part of a scheduled presentation shall be made available either by posting on the Internet or by other means to all meeting participants, including those participating remotely, and those agenda items for which visual aids are not available for all participants shall not be acted upon at the meeting. If it is not possible to reconvene the meeting as provided in this subsection within thirty minutes after an interruption to communication and the board has not

provided reasonable notice to the public as to how the meeting will be continued at an alternative date and time, then the meeting shall be automatically terminated.

- (d) During executive meetings from which the public has been excluded, board members shall be audible to other authorized participants but shall not be required to be visible. To preserve the executive nature of any portion of a meeting closed to the public, the presiding officer shall publicly state the names and titles of all authorized participants, and, upon convening the executive session, all participants shall confirm to the presiding officer that no unauthorized person is present or able to hear them at their remote locations or via another audio or audiovisual connection. The person organizing the interactive conference technology shall confirm that no unauthorized person has access to the executive meeting as indicated on the control panels of the interactive conference technology being used for the meeting, if applicable.
- (e) A board must in good faith attempt to provide the public with the opportunity to observe the meeting as it happens and an opportunity to provide oral testimony. No board action shall be invalid if the board's good faith efforts to implement remote technology for public observations and comments do not work.
- §4 <u>Definition of "interactive conference technology."</u> For purpose of these rules, "interactive conference technology" means any form of audio and visual conference technology, or audio conference technology where permitted under these rules, including teleconference, videoconference, and voice over internet protocol, that facilitates interaction between the public and board members.
- **§**5 In-person meeting at multiple sites by interactive conference technology; notice; (a) A board may hold an in-person meeting at multiple meeting sites connected by interactive conference technology; provided that the interactive conference technology used by the board allows audio or audiovisual interaction among all members of the board participating in the meeting and all members of the public attending the meeting, and the notice required by section 92-7, HRS, and section 6 of these rules, identifies all of the locations where participating board members will be The board may provide additional locations open for public physically present. participation but where no participating board members will be physically present. The notice required by section 92-7, HRS, and section 6 of these rules, shall list any additional locations open for public participation but where no participating board members will be physically present and specify, in the event one of those additional locations loses its audio connection to the meeting, whether the meeting will continue without that location or will be automatically recessed to restore communication as provided in subsection (c).
- (b) Any board member participating in a meeting by interactive conference technology under this section shall be considered present at the meeting for the purpose of determining compliance with the quorum and voting requirements of the board.
- (c) A meeting held by interactive conference technology under this section shall be automatically recessed for up to thirty minutes to restore communication when audio communication cannot be maintained with all locations where the meeting by interactive conference technology is being held, even if a quorum of the board is physically present

in one location. The meeting may reconvene when either audio or audiovisual communication is restored. Within fifteen minutes after audio-only communication is established, copies of nonconfidential visual aids that are required by or brought to the meeting by board members or as part of a scheduled presentation shall be made available either by posting on the Internet or by other means to all meeting participants, and those agenda items for which visual aids are not available for all participants at all meeting locations shall not be acted upon at the meeting. If it is not possible to reconvene the meeting as provided in this subsection within thirty minutes after an interruption to communication, and the board has not provided reasonable notice to the public as to how the meeting will be continued at an alternative date and time, then the meeting shall be automatically terminated.

**§**6 Notice. (a) The board shall give written public notice of any regular, special, emergency, or rescheduled meeting, or any executive meeting when anticipated in advance. The notice shall include an agenda that lists all of the items to be considered at the forthcoming meeting; the date, time, and place of the meeting; the board's electronic and postal contact information for submission of testimony before the meeting; instructions on how to request an auxiliary aid or service or an accommodation due to a disability, including a response deadline, if one is provided, that is reasonable; and in the case of an executive meeting, the purpose shall be stated. If an item to be considered is the proposed adoption, amendment, or repeal of administrative rules, an agenda meets the requirements for public notice pursuant to this section if it contains a statement on the topic of the proposed rules or a general description of the subjects involved, as described in section 91-3(a)(1)(A), HRS, and a statement of when and where the proposed rules may be viewed in person and on the Internet as provided in section 91-2.6, HRS. The means specified by this section shall be the only means required for giving notice under this part notwithstanding any law to the contrary.

#### Rules Relating to Falsified Documents or Codes Related to COVID-19 Health or Vaccination Status

- §1 Purpose and Authority
- §2 Definitions
- §3 Falsified COVID-19 Vaccination Documents or Codes
- §4 Force and Effect of Law
- § 1 Purpose and Authority. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the State and counties have adopted rules requiring individuals to provide proof of their COVID-19 health and vaccination status for the purpose of engaging in specified activities. To ensure falsified documents verifying COVID-19 health and vaccination status, including machine-readable codes or images, are not used to circumvent these requirements, the following rules are enacted pursuant to sections 127A-11, 12, 13, 25, 29, and 31, Hawai'i Revised Statutes (HRS).

#### § 2 <u>Definitions</u>.

"Another person" means an actual person or a fictitious person.

"Code" means machine-readable codes or images, including Quick Response (QR) code designations.

"COVID-19 health status" refers to whether a person has undergone a test that has been approved for use by the State or county to determine the presence of an active COVID-19 infection.

"COVID-19 vaccination status" refers to whether a person has completed a COVID-19 vaccination regimen consisting of at least two doses of a two-dose course of vaccination, including but not limited to the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine or the Moderna vaccine, or at least one dose of a single-dose course of vaccination, including but not limited to the Johnson & Johnson / Janssen vaccine, or has not completed a vaccination regimen.

"Falsified Verification" means any record card, print-out, certification, attestation, Codes, or other written or electronic document or image that indicates an actual person or a fictitious person, has obtained a negative result from an approved COVID-19 test that was not actually obtained or has completed a vaccination regimen that has not been completed.

"Verification Document or Code" refers to any record card, print-out, certification, attestation, Codes, or other written or electronic document or image that indicates a negative result has been obtained from a COVID-19 test or a COVID-19 vaccination regimen has been completed.

"Utter" means to offer, whether accepted or not, a Verification Document or Code.

§ 3 <u>Falsified COVID-19 Vaccination Documents or Codes</u>. (a) No person shall upload, provide, present, utter or otherwise use Falsified Verification of the person's COVID-19 health status or Covid-19 vaccination status.

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A person violates this rule if the person intentionally, knowingly or recklessly uploads, provides, presents, utters or otherwise uses falsified verification of the person's COVID-19 health status or COVID-19 vaccination status.

(b) No person shall upload, provide, present, utter or otherwise use Falsified Verification of any other person's COVID-19 health status or COVID-19 vaccination status.

A person violates this rule if the person intentionally, knowingly or recklessly uploads, provides, presents, utters or otherwise uses Falsified Verification of any other person's COVID-19 health status or COVID-19 vaccination status.

(c) No person shall, with the intent to deceive another regarding the person's COVID-19 health status or COVID-19 vaccination status, upload, provide, present, utter or otherwise use another person's COVID-19 health status or COVID-19 vaccination status Verification Document or Code.

A person violates this rule if the person, with the intent to deceive another regarding the person's COVID-19 health status or COVID-19 vaccination status, intentionally, knowingly or recklessly uploads, provides, presents, utters or otherwise uses another person's COVID-19 health status or COVID-19 vaccination status Verification Document or Code.

(d) No person shall, with the intent to deceive another regarding any other person's COVID-19 health status or COVID-19 vaccination status, upload, provide, present, utter or otherwise use another person's COVID-19 health status or COVID-19 vaccination status Verification Document or Code.

A person violates this rule if the person, with the intent to deceive another regarding any other person's COVID-19 health status or COVID-19 vaccination status, intentionally, knowingly or recklessly uploads, provides, presents, utters or otherwise uses another person's COVID-19 health status or COVID-19 vaccination status Verification Document or Code.

(e) No person shall manufacture, distribute, disseminate, issue, sell, offer for sale, import, or offer to import into this State, a Falsified Verification of COVID-19 health status or COVID-19 vaccination status.

A person violates this rule if the person intentionally, knowingly or recklessly manufactures, distributes, disseminates, issues, sells, offers for sale, imports, or offers to import into this State a Falsified Verification of COVID-19 health status or COVID-19 vaccination status.

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(f) No person shall manufacture, distribute, disseminate, issue, sell, offer for sale, import, or offer to import into this State, a blank or incomplete COVID-19 health status or COVID-19 vaccination status Verification Document or Code under circumstances that would lead a reasonable person to believe that the blank or incomplete Verification Document or Code would be used to create a Falsified Verification.

A person violates this rule if the person intentionally, knowingly or recklessly manufactures, distributes, disseminates, issues, sells, offers for sale, imports, or offers to import into this State, a blank or incomplete COVID-19 health status or COVID-19 vaccination status Verification Document or Code, under circumstances that would lead a reasonable person to believe that the blank or incomplete Verification Document or Code would be used to create a Falsified Verification.

§ 4 Force and Effect of Law. Pursuant to section 127A-25, HRS, all provisions set forth in this Section are hereby adopted as rules and shall have the force and effect of law.

Pursuant to section 127A-29, HRS, any person who intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly engages in conduct that violates the Governor's Emergency Proclamation Related to the State's COVID-19 Delta Response or any provisions of this rule shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, the person shall be fined not more than \$5,000, or imprisoned not more than one year, or both, unless noncompliance is designated by a county as a lesser offense, including an emergency period infraction, with lesser penalties as provided by section 127A-29, HRS.

# Rules Relating to Access to State Property

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- §1 <u>Purpose and Authority</u>. These rules are adopted pursuant to sections 127A-11, 12, 13, 25, 29, and 31, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to respond to the COVID-19 emergency declared by the Governor and have the force and effect of law.

### §2 Definitions.

"Contractor" includes any entity, volunteer, or vendor providing goods, equipment, construction, consulting, or any other materials or services to the State whether paid or unpaid; and any concessionaire, permittee, or commercial operator in any State facility.

"Contractor's Employee" means anyone employed by the Contractor or providing service for on behalf of the Contractor who enters, works, or provides services in any State facility under any type of subcontract or other agreement.

"COVID-19 test" means 1) any U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved or authorized molecular or antigen screening or diagnostic test for SARS-CoV-2, under conditions where the taking of all samples are administered, observed, or proctored by a lab, testing site, healthcare provider, trusted testing partner of the State of Hawaii Safe Travels Program or any authorized agent of these, with verification of the identity of the test taker; or 2) any COVID-19 test results that are submitted and accepted under the State of Hawaii Safe Travels Program. Over-the-counter or "at home" types of tests are not acceptable if they are not observed, and proctored by a testing site.

"Facility" or "Facilities" mean any facility, building, or other property controlled and used by the State to conduct government business, or any other State property that is the site of a State government project. "Fully Vaccinated" or "Vaccinated" means two weeks have passed since the individual's second dose in a two-dose series or two weeks have passed since a single-dose COVID-19 vaccine.

"Testing site" means any site authorized by law to administer, observe, and proctor a COVID-19 test.

"Visitor" means any person entering a State Facility who is not a State employee, Contractor, or employee of a Contractor, but shall not include: visitors on beaches, beach parks, and other outdoor State government properties; persons under the age of 12; students while attending DOE public or charter schools; inmates at State correctional facilities; patients in State hospitals; residents while present in State housing projects; individuals entering any state airport for the purpose of traveling out of or into an airport located within the State; or individuals making deliveries to, or doing drop offs or are present at a State facility and who leave within ten (10) minutes of entry.

- §3 <u>Contractor Access to State Facilities</u>. (a) All Contractors entering, working, or providing service in any State facility shall comply with the following:
  - (1) The Contractor shall identify all of its employees accessing State facilities and attest as to each employee whether the employee is: (1) fully vaccinated for COVID-19; (2) partially vaccinated for COVID-19 (including receipt of one dose of a two-dose course of vaccination); or (3) not vaccinated for COVID-19;
  - (2) The Contractor will ensure and provide weekly verification that any unvaccinated or partially vaccinated employee will be subject to regular COVID-19 testing that shall occur either once or twice per week as determined by the State agency receiving the good or services of the Contractor;
  - (3) The Contractor will ensure that any unvaccinated or partially vaccinated employee does not enter, work, or provide services in any State facility unless the employee obtains a negative COVID-19 test result in accordance with the once or twice a week testing protocol;
  - (4) If not otherwise required by State or county orders, the Contractor will ensure that all employees, whether vaccinated, unvaccinated, or partially vaccinated, will wear a mask, in accordance with Exhibit A attached to the Governor's Emergency Proclamation Related to the State's COVID-19 Delta Response, the entire time they are present in any

- State facility and physically distance themselves from others;
- (5) Any State Contractor or Contractor's employee who works directly with or alongside State employees will be subject to the same requirements or restrictions applicable to State employees, as specified by the State agency.
- (b) Each Contractor on behalf of their employees entering, working, or providing service in any State facility, will submit an attestation of the COVID-19 vaccination status and weekly or twice weekly COVID-19 test result to each State agency it is under contract with. With approval of the State agency it is under contract with, or the State agency occupying the facility, a Contractor may submit a single attestation of the COVID-19 vaccination status of its employees and may maintain information regarding the weekly or twice weekly COVID-19 test results on its unvaccinated employees entering, working, or providing service in any State facility. The Contractor shall produce the documentation supporting the attestation and the weekly or twice weekly COVID-19 test results for audit purposes upon request by the State agency.
- (c) Any unvaccinated or partially vaccinated Contractor or Contractor's employee not in compliance with these rules or found to have submitted falsified information in an attempt to comply with these rules shall be precluded from entry to any State facility and may be subject to the provisions of Exhibit D, Rules Relating to Falsified Documents or Codes Related to COVID-19 Health or Vaccination Status, attached to the Governor's Emergency Proclamation Related to the State's COVID-19 Delta Response, including the penalties stated therein.
- (d) State agencies working with Contractors on construction and other types of activities that do not involve contact with State employees, students, patients, customers, wards, members of the public, or anyone in the State agency's charge, care, or custody may amend the requirements of these rules to allow the Contractor to continue to work but must ensure that the provisions of these rules are enforced any time there is contact with State employees, students, patients, customers, wards, members of the public, or anyone in the State agency's charge, care, or custody.
- (e) Any violation of these rules by a Contractor or Contractor's employee may also constitute a material breach of the contract subject to applicable remedies.
- (f) For purposes of the requirements set forth in these rules, Contractors are not required to pay for COVID-19

testing for employees who choose to undergo regular COVID-19 testing instead of providing evidence of COVID-19 vaccination, unless otherwise prohibited by law.

- §4 <u>Visitor Access to State Facilities</u>. (a) All visitors to State facilities where contact with State employees is possible shall comply with the following:
  - (1) Each visitor shall provide verification of being fully vaccinated for COVID-19 or a negative test result based on a COVID-19 test taken not more than seventy-two hours prior to entry, as a condition to being allowed to enter or remain in any State facility;
  - (2) A visitor shall not be allowed to remain in any State facility unless they are in compliance with these rules.
- (b) A visitor will be allowed to provide verification of their COVID-19 vaccination or negative COVID-19 test result by:
  (i) showing official documentation evidencing the COVID-19 vaccination or negative COVID-19 test result; or (ii) through the use of various publicly available health status applications provided by the State of Hawaii, such as Hawaii SMART Health Card, CommonPass, CLEAR Health Pass, Azova, IBM Digital Health Pass, and other similar products available to the public. Nothing contained herein should be construed as an endorsement of any of these products as the products are listed for illustrative purposes only.
- (c) All visitors shall comply with State and county orders, including regarding face coverings as set forth in Exhibit A attached to the Governor's Emergency Proclamation Related to the State's COVID-19 Delta Response, whether the Visitor is fully vaccinated for COVID-19, unvaccinated, or partially vaccinated, the entire time the visitor is present in any State Facility and shall physically distance themselves from others.
- (d) Any unvaccinated or partially vaccinated visitor not in compliance with these rules or found to have submitted falsified information in an attempt to comply with these rules shall be precluded from entry to any State facility and may be subject to the provisions of Exhibit D, Rules Relating to Falsified Documents or Codes Related to COVID-19 Health or Vaccination Status attached to the Governor's Emergency Proclamation Related to the State's COVID-19 Delta Response, including the penalties stated therein.
- §5 <u>Continued Services</u>. State agencies providing services to the public such as licensing, testing, permits, and

transactions of any type, shall identify and determine how the State agency will continue to provide the service for those members of the public who are unable to comply with these rules and implement measures, practices, or procedures that ensure the continued operation and functioning of the State agency and service to the public.

- §6 <u>Exemptions</u>. (a) The Director of Emergency Management may exempt a State agency in whole or in part from application of these rules with respect to a particular Contractor when:
  - (1) Essential government operations would be severely impacted by the requirements of these rules, provided that the State agency has in place and is implementing its own COVID-19 pandemic response plan that addresses the underlying bases for these rules; or
  - (2) A Contractor has policies, procedures, and protections in place that are equal to, or more stringent than, the requirements of these rules.
- (b) Any request for exemption must clearly and completely demonstrate and establish the following, as applicable:
  - (1) Why an amendment to the requirements of these rules pursuant to section 3(d) of these rules is not appropriate or why a request for such an amendment by the Contractor was denied by the State entity, including the reasons for the denial;
  - (2) What efforts the Contractor is making to comply with these rules;
  - (3) Why the Contractor is unable to comply with these rules either in whole or in part;
  - (4) The essential government functions severely impacted;
  - (5) How compliance with these rules severely impacts those essential government functions;
  - (6) A copy of the State agency pandemic response plan and how that plan addresses the underlying bases for these rules;
  - (7) A copy of the Contractor's policies, procedures, and protections, how these are currently being implemented and how they are equal to, or more stringent than, the requirements of these rules; and
  - (8) A proposed plan for an exemption that allows compliance while addressing those areas where the Contractor is unable to comply with these rules.
- (c) Failure to include any of the requirements of subsection (b) of this rule may result in a denial of the request.

- (d) A State agency or Contractor may submit a request for an exemption. A Contractor must submit the request for exemption to the impacted State agency, which will review the request and make its findings and recommendations before submitting the Contractor's request to the Director of Emergency Management. A State agency will submit any request for exemption by sending an email to dod@hawaii.gov.
- §7 <u>County Orders, Rules, or Directives</u>. Notwithstanding the provisions set forth herein, the mayor of any county may issue orders, rules, or directives that are more restrictive than the provisions of these rules.
- §8 <u>Criminal Penalties</u>. (a) The penalties set forth in Exhibit D, Rules Relating to Falsified Documents and Codes Related to COVID-19 Health and Vaccination Status, apply to these rules and are incorporated herein.
- (b) Penalties prescribed by these rules are in addition to any other lawful penalties established by law.

## EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 21-05 (Statewide Limits for Social Gatherings, Restaurants, Bars, and Social Establishments)

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, I issued a Proclamation declaring a state of emergency to support ongoing State and county responses to the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19);

WHEREAS, I subsequently issued several proclamations related to the COVID-19 pandemic, including proclamations that *inter alia* suspended certain laws to enable State and county responses to COVID-19; and implemented a mandatory self-quarantine for all persons entering the State and traveling between counties, mandated safe practices to reduce the spread of COVID-19, and instituted a vaccination and testing policy for all State and county employees;

WHEREAS, Delta, a highly contagious SARS-CoV-2 virus strain, has resulted in spiking case numbers around the world and in the United States of America, and continues to spread at an alarming rate in our State;

WHEREAS, the Delta variant of the SARS-CoV-2 virus has changed the course of the pandemic in our State urgently, such that the COVID-19 continues to endanger the health, safety, and welfare of the people of Hawai'i and requires the immediate and serious attention, effort, and sacrifice of all people in the State to avert unmanageable strains on our healthcare system and other catastrophic impacts to the State;

WHEREAS, despite the success of the State's mitigation and vaccination efforts, based on recent events surrounding the sudden rise of COVID-19 cases as a result of the Delta variant, hospitalizations, and deaths and the strong recommendation from our Department of Health and other experts assisting in the ongoing COVID-19 response,

the implementation of statewide limits for social gatherings, as well as additional provisions for restaurants, bars, and social establishments is necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, David Y. Ige, Governor of Hawai'i, pursuant to my executive authority under article V of the Constitution of the State of Hawai'i, chapter 127A, Hawai'i Revised Statutes, and all other applicable authority, do hereby order, effective August 10, 2021, the following:

- 1. For statewide implementation and as defined by each county (and in accordance with definitions specified by each county):
- a. <u>Social Gatherings</u>. Indoor social gatherings of more than ten persons and outdoor social gatherings of more than twenty-five persons are prohibited.
- b. Restaurants, Bars, and Social Establishments. Restaurants, bars, and social establishments will implement the following guidelines while maintaining the required social gathering sizes set forth above and as may be further specified by the counties:
  - i. Patrons must remain seated with their party.
  - ii. Six feet distancing must be maintained between groups.
  - iii. No mingling.
  - iv. Masks must be worn at all times except when actively eating or drinking.
- c. <u>Professional Events</u>. Professional events must comply with all state and county orders, rules, and directives regarding operation. Those organizing professional events larger than fifty (50) persons, in order to ensure appropriate safe practices, shall notify and consult with the appropriate county agency reasonably prior to the event

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d. Restrictions on Indoor Capacity. For all high-risk activities, indoor

capacity is set at 50%. This includes bars, restaurants, gyms, and social

establishments.

2. Statewide limitations set forth herein will not otherwise affect the counties'

COVID-19 policies regarding other categories of activity.

3. All measures set forth herein will be enforced by the counties pursuant to

county orders, rules, and directives that identify offenses and penalties for each county.

This order supersedes less restrictive orders, rules, or directives of any of

the counties to the limited extent necessary to carry out the limitations and restrictions

contained herein.

5. Notwithstanding the provisions set forth herein, the mayor of any county

may issue orders, rules, or directives that are more restrictive.

6. Unless superseded by a subsequent order, this Emergency Order shall

terminate on October 18, 2021.

Done at the State Capitol, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this 10th day of

August, 2021.

Governor of Hawai'i

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Clare E. Connors

Attornev General State of Hawai'i

## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR STATE OF HAWAI'I

#### **EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 21-06**

By the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Hawai'i, I, David Y. Ige, Governor of the State of Hawai'i, hereby order the following, effective on the date of this Executive Order to and including the date that the COVID-19 emergency ceases or unless and until I take such other executive action that supersedes or terminates this Executive Order:

- 1. For the purposes of this Executive Order, the following terms are defined as set forth below:
  - a. "Health care facility" means any program, institution, place, building, or agency, or portion thereof, private or public, other than federal facilities or services, whether organized for profit or not, used, operated, or designed to provide medical diagnosis, treatment, nursing, rehabilitative, or preventive care to any person or persons. The term includes but is not limited to facilities licensed or certified by DOH pursuant to section 321-11(10), Hawaii RevisedStatutes (HRS), and others providing similarly organized services regardless of nomenclature, and any state government-operated site providing health care services established for the purpose of responding to the COVID-19 emergency.
  - b. "Health care professional" means physicians and surgeons and others licensed or certified pursuant to chapter 453, podiatrists licensed pursuant to chapter 463E, dentists licensed pursuant to chapter 448, psychologists licensed pursuant to chapter 465, nurses licensed pursuant to chapter 457, veterinarians licensed pursuant to chapter 471, acupuncturists licensed pursuant to chapter 436E, massage therapists licensed pursuant to chapter 452, naturopathic physicians licensed pursuant to chapter 455, chiropractors licensed pursuant to chapter 442, occupational therapists licensed pursuant to chapter 457G, physical therapists licensed pursuant to chapter 466D, respiratory therapists licensed pursuant to chapter 466D,

radiographers, radiation therapists and nuclear medicine technologists licensed pursuant to chapter 466J. speech pathologists or audiologists licensed pursuant to chapter 468E, pharmacists licensed pursuant to chapter 461, emergency medical services personnel licensed pursuant to part II of chapter 453 and operating pursuant to part XVIII of chapter 321, firefighters rendering assistance, or health care facility administrative and management professionals who (i) are providing health care services at a health care facility in response to the COVID-19 emergency and are authorized to do so; or (ii) are working under the direction of the Hawai'i Emergency Management Agency (HIEMA) or Hawai'i Department of Health (HDOH) pursuant to my Emergency Proclamation Related to the COVID-19 Response issued on August 5, 2021 (hereinafter referred to as "Emergency Proclamation").

- c. "Health care volunteer" means all volunteers or medical, nursing, social work, occupational, physical, or respiratory therapist students who do not have licensure who (i) are providing services, assistance, or support at a health care facility in response to the COVID-19 emergency and are authorized to do so; or (ii) are working under the direction of HIEMA or HDOH pursuant to my Emergency Proclamation related to the COVID-19 response.
- d. "Rendering assistance" in support of the State's response includes cancelling or postponing elective surgeries and procedures as directed by HDOH or its designee(s), implementing the Hawai'i State Crisis Standards of Care Triage Allocation Framework as each facility determines to be appropriate under the circumstances presented by the COVID-19 emergency, and conserving scarce medical resources, such as oxygen and other medical supplies and countermeasures, at the direction of HDOH or its designee(s).
- 2. Pursuant to sections 127A-12(a)(5) and 663-1.5, HRS, I direct all health care facilities, health care professionals, and health care volunteers, as defined in section 1 of this Executive Order, to render assistance in support of the

State's response to the COVID-19 emergency recognized by the Emergency Proclamation. For health care facilities, rendering assistance in support of the State's response includes cancelling or postponing elective surgeries and procedures as directed by the HDOH, implementing the Hawai'i State Crisis Standards of Care Triage Allocation Framework as each facility determines to be appropriate under the circumstances presented by the COVID-19 emergency, and conserving scarce medical resources such as oxygen supplies at the direction of the HDOH. For health care professionals, rendering assistance in support of the State's response means providing health care services at a health care facility in response to the COVID-19 emergency or working under the direction of HIEMA or HDOH pursuant to the Emergency Proclamation. For health care volunteers, rendering assistance in support of the State's response means providing services, assistance, or support at a health care facility in response to the COVID-19 emergency or working under the direction of HIEMA or HDOH pursuant to the Emergency Proclamation.

- 3. Pursuant to sections 127A-9 and 127A-12(a)(5), HRS, I direct that during the pendency of the Emergency Proclamation, health care facilities, as defined in section 1 of this Executive Order, that in good faith comply completely with all state and federal orders regarding this emergency, shall be immune from civil liability for any death or injury to persons, or property damage alleged to have been caused by any act or omission by the health care facility, which death of or injury to persons, or property damage occurred as a result of the health care facility rendering assistance in support of the State's response to the COVID-19 emergency, unless it is established that such death or injury to persons, or property damage was caused by willful misconduct, gross negligence, or recklessness of the health care facility.
- 4. Pursuant to sections 127A-9 and 127A-12(a)(5), HRS, I direct that during the pendency of the Emergency Proclamation, health care professionals, as defined in section 1 of this Executive Order, who in good faith comply completely with all state and federal orders regarding this emergency, shall be immune from civil liability for any death or injury to persons, or property damage alleged to have been caused by any act or omission by the health care professional, which death

of or injury to persons, or property damage occurred as a result of the health care professional rendering assistance in support of the State's response to the COVID-19 emergency, unless it is established that such death or injury to persons, or property damage was caused by willful misconduct, gross negligence, or recklessness of the health care professional.

- 5. Pursuant to sections 127A-9 and 127A-12(a)(5), HRS, I direct that during the pendency of the Emergency Proclamation, health care volunteers, as defined in section 1 of this Executive Order, who in good faith comply completely with all state and federal orders regarding the emergency, shall be immune from civil liability for any death of or injury to persons, or property damage alleged to have been caused by any act or omission by the health care volunteer at a time when the health care volunteer was engaged in the course of rendering assistance to the State by providing services, assistance, or support in response to the COVID-19 emergency, unless it is established that such death of or injury to persons, or property damage was caused by the willful misconduct, gross negligence, or recklessness of the health care volunteer.
- 6. Nothing in this Executive Order shall be construed to preempt or limit any applicable immunity from civil liability available to any health care facility, health care professional, or health care volunteer, including, but not limited to, immunity pursuant to the Declaration Under the Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness Act for Medical Countermeasures Against COVID-19, dated March 17, 2020, as amended.
- 7. If any provision of this Executive Order or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, this invalidity does not affect any other provision or application of this Executive Order, which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application. To achieve this purpose, the provisions of this Executive Order are declared to be severable.

This order is in accordance with and incorporates by reference my Emergency Proclamation issued on August 5, 2021. The provisions of this Executive Order shall remain in effect for the emergency period unless and until I take such other executive action that supersedes or terminates this Executive Order.

Done at the State Capitol this 1<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2021

DAVID Y. IGE

Governor of Hawai'i

APPROVED:

**CLARE E. CONNORS** 

Attorney General State of Hawai'i