



representing the Colorado title insurance industry

The Honorable Jared Polis
Governor
State of Colorado
136 State Capitol
Denver, CO 80203

Dear Governor Polis:

On behalf of the Land Title Association of Colorado (LTAC), the Colorado Mortgage Lenders Association (CMLA), the Colorado Association of Realtors (CAR), and the Colorado Association of Home Builders (CAHB) we respectfully request that you extend Executive Order D 2020-019, Ordering the Temporary Suspension of the Personal Appearance Requirement for Notarization due to the Presence of COVID-19 for an additional 90 days. We request this extension based on the following reasons.

While our collective industries are very appreciative of your news this week that the March 26th Stay-at-Home Executive Order will expire on April 26th and the spread of COVID-19 is on a downward trajectory, we agree with your three-phase approach to social distancing in order to eliminate the infection. We are also thankful that real estate transactions will progress in a safe, yet open and traditional manner.

In order to assist you in your social distancing guidelines for critical businesses that will re-open after April 26, we feel that continuing with the principles of Executive Order D 2020-019 are paramount in eliminating COVID-19 in the real estate process. The real estate industry continues to experience increased orders for both sale and refinance transactions during this unprecedented time. The ability for these important financial transactions to be completed gives a consumer the financial relief or flexibility that they need right now, while knowing that social distancing remains important as COVID-19 remains a threat.

Executive Order D 2020-019, and the emergency rules promulgated by Secretary of State Griswold, have significantly assisted in completing real estate transactions by allowing remote notarizations to satisfy legal requirements for signed documents. We respectfully request that you extend this Executive Order for an additional 90 days.

Thank you for your leadership during this time and for considering our request.

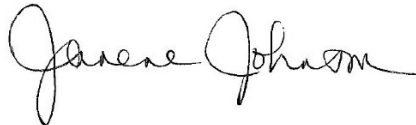
Respectfully,



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