

**JOINT RESOLUTION FURTHER EXTENDING THE STATE OF  
EMERGENCY DUE TO THE INFECTIOUS DISEASE COVID-19**

**NOVEL CORONAVIRUS**  
2020 FIFTH SPECIAL SESSION  
STATE OF UTAH

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This joint resolution extends the state of emergency due to infectious disease COVID-19 Novel Coronavirus.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This resolution:

- ▶ recognizes the Governor's executive order, issued on March 6, 2020, declaring a state of emergency due to infectious disease COVID-19 Novel Coronavirus;
- ▶ recognizes that the Governor requested and the Legislature extended the state of emergency to June 30, 2020;
- ▶ recognizes that the Governor has requested that the Legislature extend the state of emergency to August 31, 2020;
- ▶ finds that the extension is necessary to protect the health and welfare of the citizens of the state of Utah; and
- ▶ extends the state of emergency, due to infectious disease COVID-19 Novel Coronavirus, to August 31, 2020.

**Special Clauses:**

None

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*Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

WHEREAS, on March 6, 2020, pursuant to Utah Code Section 53-2a-206, Governor Gary R. Herbert issued an executive order declaring a state of emergency due to infectious disease COVID-19 Novel Coronavirus;

WHEREAS, Utah Code Subsection 53-2a-206(3) provides that "[a] state of emergency may not continue for longer than 30 days unless extended by joint resolution of the

32 Legislature";

33 WHEREAS, the Governor issued the executive order as a proactive measure, before a  
34 confirmed case was diagnosed in the state;

35 WHEREAS, subsequent to the Governor's order declaring an emergency, but on the  
36 same day, the first case of COVID-19 in Utah was confirmed;

37 WHEREAS, the Governor requested that the Legislature extend the state of emergency,  
38 declared by the Governor, until June 30, 2020;

39 WHEREAS, the Legislature extended the state of emergency declared by Governor  
40 until June 30, 2020; and

41 WHEREAS, the Legislature finds that it is necessary to extend the state of emergency  
42 until August 31, 2020, to ensure that appropriate response and recovery action is taken to  
43 protect the health and welfare of the citizens of the state of Utah:

44 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the state of Utah that  
45 the state of emergency declared by the Governor on March 6, 2020, due to infectious disease  
46 COVID-19 Novel Coronavirus, which was extended by the Legislature of the state of Utah by  
47 House Joint Resolution 24, is further extended to August 31, 2020.