STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE
OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
MANDATORY FACILITY CLOSURES

No. 2020-2

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, through Executive Order No. 103, the facts and circumstances of which are adopted by reference herein, the Governor declared both a Public Health Emergency and a State of Emergency throughout the State due to the public health hazard posed by Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19); and

WHEREAS, to further protect the health, safety, and welfare of New Jersey residents by, among other things, reducing the rate of community spread of COVID-19, the Governor issued Executive Order No. 104 (2020) on March 16, 2020, the facts and circumstances of which are also adopted by reference herein, which established statewide social mitigation strategies for combatting COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 104 established that certain facilities including casinos, racetracks, gyms, fitness centers, movie theaters, performing arts centers, other concert venues, nightclubs, and other entertainment centers, while vital to the economic health of the State, are also locations where large numbers of individuals gather in close proximity; and

WHEREAS, suspending operations at these businesses is part of the State's mitigation strategy to combat COVID-19 and reduce the rate of community spread; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order No. 104 (2020), the Governor ordered closed as of 8:00 p.m. on March 16, 2020, certain facilities to members of the public

including casino gaming floors, racetracks, gyms and fitness centers, and entertainment centers; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to paragraph 7 of Executive Order No. 104 (2020), Governor Murphy granted the State Director of Emergency Management, who is the Superintendent of State Police, the discretion to make additions, amendments, clarifications, exceptions, and exclusions to the list of facilities closed to members of the public;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Patrick J. Callahan, State Director of Emergency Management, hereby ORDER as follows:

1. The following facilities are added to the list of facilities closed to members of the public in accordance with paragraph 7 of Executive Order No. 104 (2020).

    a. Facilities where personal care services are performed that, by their very nature, result in noncompliance with social distancing guidelines, including but not limited to cosmetology shops; barber shops; beauty salons; hair braiding shops; nail salons; electrology facilities; spas, including day spas and medical spas, at which solely elective and cosmetic medical procedures are performed; massage parlors, tanning salons, tattoo parlors, and public and private social clubs, whether or not they serve alcohol, including but not limited to facilities owned or operated by the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Knights of Columbus, and any other social clubs associated with community service organizations.

    b. Health facilities that provide medically necessary or therapeutic services are exempted from this directive.

2. This ORDER shall take effect immediately, and the facilities listed above are ORDERED closed to members of the public effective at 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 19, 2020. These facilities shall remain closed to the public for as long as Executive Order No. 104 (2020) remains in effect.

March 19, 2020

Colonel Patrick J. Callahan
State Director of Emergency Management