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Michigan House of Representatives
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Lansing, MI 48909-7514

Representatives,

Today I was pleased to sign Enrolled House Bills 5412, 5413, 5414, 5415, and 5416, which will increase access to healthcare in Michigan by ensuring that telemedicine and remote patient monitoring services will be covered by insurers and by Medicaid.

These bills codify significant pieces of Executive Order 2020-86, which broadly expanded access to telemedicine as part of Michigan's emergency response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Nevertheless, the virtues of telemedicine are not unique to this moment, so Michiganders will benefit from reduced costs, increased accessibility, and lower transmission rates of infectious diseases at the doctor's office for years to come.

In light of the legislation I signed today, certain aspects of Executive Order 2020-86 are no longer required, including parts of section 1 and all of section 2. Having signed these bills, I will shortly rescind that order and issue a new executive order that includes only those provisions that remain reasonable and necessary to fight the COVID-19 pandemic.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Gretchen Whitmer", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Gretchen Whitmer
Governor