

STATE OF WYOMING EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE ORDER

Order 2022-03 Rescinding Executive Order No. 2020-02

EXECUTIVE ORDER RESCINDING THE DECLARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY AND PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, in December 2019, a novel coronavirus known as severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) was first detected in China, leading to outbreaks of novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) that spread globally;

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, I issued a Declaration of a State of Emergency and Public Health Emergency relating to the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, throughout 2020 and 2021, vaccines for COVID-19 were developed, authorized and approved under the 45th and 46th presidents of the United States and by the federal Food and Drug Administration. Vaccines have been proven both safe and effective in preventing serious disease caused by the COVID-19 virus. Vaccines have been broadly available to the general public for more than a year;

WHEREAS, Wyoming has seen its COVID-19 case numbers and hospitalizations decline:

WHEREAS, Wyoming citizens are familiar with the risks associated with the COVID-19 pandemic as well as with the appropriate measures to take to avoid exposure to the virus, including masking, testing, social distancing, and self-isolating when sick;

WHEREAS, the Constitution and the statutes of the State of Wyoming, particularly Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 19-13-104 and 35-4-115(a), confer upon the Governor the authority and responsibility to carry out the provisions of the Wyoming Homeland Security Act and to declare public health emergencies, including the authority to rescind emergency orders upon the conclusion of such emergency;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Wyoming, I, Mark Gordon, do hereby declare the end of the State of

Emergency and Public Health Emergency relating to the COVID-19 pandemic. Executive Order No. 2020-2 is hereby rescinded.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately. Given under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Wyoming this 14th day of March, 2022.

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Governor