
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 8405

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By Senators Braun, Mullet, Brown, Dozier, Gildon, Holy, Honeyford, King, McCune, Muzzall, Padden, Schoesler, Sefzik, Short, Wagoner, Warnick, J. Wilson, and L. Wilson

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1 WHEREAS, On February 29, 2020, Governor Jay Inslee issued
2 Proclamation 20-05, proclaiming a State of Emergency for all counties
3 throughout the state of Washington as a result of the coronavirus
4 disease 2019 (COVID-19) outbreak in the United States; and

5 WHEREAS, In this third year of the COVID-19 state of emergency,
6 many scientific experts and elected officials agree it is now
7 appropriate to manage the disease as an endemic, rather than a
8 pandemic; and

9 WHEREAS, The President of the United States remarked in his
10 recent State of the Union Address that COVID-19 need no longer
11 control our lives, and most Americans can now move forward safely;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, Members of the legislature trust that Washington
14 hospitals and other health care facilities and those who work in and
15 visit them are capable of taking measures to manage COVID-19
16 transmission; and

17 WHEREAS, Legislators trust Washington employers and employees to
18 take appropriate measures to manage the spread of COVID-19 within
19 workplaces and among workers and customers; and

20 WHEREAS, The legislature believes an objective consideration of
21 scientific data confirms the stated basis for declaring the state of
22 emergency has passed;

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Senate of the state of
2 Washington, the House of Representatives concurring, That
3 Proclamation 20-05 should be terminated, and the COVID-19 state of
4 emergency should be ended.

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