## STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

## Office of the Governor



## EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 1560

WHEREAS, the worldwide outbreak of COVID-19 and the effects of its risk of person-to-person transmission throughout the United States and Mississippi have significantly impacted the life and health of our people; and

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2020, pursuant to the Constitution of the State of Mississippi and Miss. Code Ann. § 33-15-11(b)(17), I issued a Proclamation declaring that a State of Emergency existed in the State of Mississippi as a result of the outbreak of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, in each subsequent month, I have consulted with the Executive Director of the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency ("MEMA") regarding the need for continuing the COVID-19 State of Emergency, and following each such consultation, I have continued the State of Emergency for an additional thirty (30) days; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 State of Emergency currently is set to expire on November 20, 2021; and

WHEREAS, under the leadership of President Donald J. Trump, Operation Warp Speed facilitated and accelerated the development, manufacture and distribution of safe and effective COVID-19 vaccines; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the coordinated and tireless efforts of the Mississippi National Guard, the Mississippi Department of Health and MEMA, more than three million doses of the COVID-19 vaccine have been administered in Mississippi, with nearly 1.6 million Mississippians having received at least one dose of the vaccine and nearly 1.4 million Mississippians being fully vaccinated, and the COVID-19 vaccine now is readily available at no cost to every Mississippian who wants to receive the vaccine; and

WHEREAS, Miss. Code Ann. § 33-15-11(b)(17) mandates that I shall proclaim the termination of the COVID-19 State of Emergency at the earliest possible date that conditions warrant; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the continued sacrifices made by all Mississippians in the interest of public health over the past twenty-one months, the readily available supply of the COVID-19 vaccine, and with the continued exercise of vigilance and common sense, COVID-19 infections and resulting hospitalizations now are being effectively managed.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tate Reeves, Governor of the State of Mississippi, pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 33-15-11(b)(17) and in consultation with the Executive Director of MEMA, do hereby terminate the COVID-19 State of Emergency declared on March 14, 2020, effective at 11:59 p.m. on Saturday, November 20, 2021, and repeal Executive Order 1551.

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BY THE GOVERNOR

MICHAEL WATSON SECRETARY OF STATE IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

DONE in the City of Jackson, on the day of November, in the year of our Lord, two thousand and twenty-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hyndred and forty-sixth.

TATE REEVES