

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

June 4, 2021

Taylor Caswell Director Governor's Office of Emergency Relief and Recovery 100 North Main Street, Suite 100 Concord, N.H. 03301

Dear Director Caswell,

Pursuant to my authority under RSA 21-P:43; RSA 4:45; RSA 4:47; and Executive Order 2020-04, as extended by Executive Orders 2020-05, 2020-08, 2020-09, 2020-10, 2020-14, 2020-15, 2020-16, 2020-17, 2020-18, 2020-20, 2020-21, 2020-23, 2020-24, 2020-25, 2021-01, 2021-02, 2021-04, 2021-05, 2021-06, 2021-08, and 2021-10 I have approved your written request, in attachment, to take the following actions related to the CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funds:

- 1. Authority for the Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) to expend \$22,500,000 in Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF) for New Hampshire State executive branch agency costs, in addition to costs incurred by component units directly related to responding to or mitigating the effects of COVID-19 incurred between March 13, 2020 and December 30, 2020. Limited to expenses not previously reimbursed under any other federal program. Budgeted consistent with the request, in attachment, effective through December 31, 2021. (100% Federal Funds)
- 2. Authority for GOFERR to pay a pro rate share from the available funding by transferring such funding allocated to each state agency for allowable expenses to be credited to the same class line and purpose. Effective through December 31, 2021. (100% Federal Funds)
- 3. Authority for GOFERR to enter into a grant agreement to provide reimbursement for allowable expenses to qualified state agencies and component units. Budgeted consistent with the request, in attachment, effective through December 31, 2021. (100% Federal Funds)

The Department of Administrative Services is authorized to take the actions necessary to effectuate this authorization.

Sincerely,

Christopher T. Sununu

Governor

CC: Charles Arlinghaus, Commissioner, Department of Administrative Services



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EMERGENCY RELIEF AND RECOVERY

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His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu State House Concord, NH 03301

REQUESTED ACTION UNDER RSA 21-P:43; RSA 4:45; RSA 4:47; AND EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-04, AS EXTENDED BY EXECUTIVE ORDERS 2020-05, 2020-08, 2020-09, 2020-10, 2020-14, 2020-15, 2020-16, 2020-17, 2020-18, 2020-20, 2020-21, 2020-23, 2020-24, 2020-25, 2021-01, AND 2021-02, 2021-04, 2021-05, 2021-06, 2021-08 AND 2021-10

Dear Governor Sununu:

- 1. The Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) requests authority to allocate \$22,500,000 in Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Funding to New Hampshire State executive branch agency costs in addition to costs incurred by other state instrumentalities directly related to responding to or mitigating the effects of COVID-19 incurred between March 13, 2020 and December 30, 2020. This is limited to expenses that have not been reimbursed under any other federal program. 100% Federal Funds.
- 2. Contingent on Requested Action #1, authorize GOFERR to pay a pro rata share from the available funding by transferring such funding allocated to each state agency for allowable expenses to be credited to the same class line and purpose effective upon your approval. 100% Federal Funds
- 3. Also, contingent on Request Action #1, authorize the GOFERR to enter into a grant agreement to provide reimbursement for allowable expenses to qualified state instrumentalities that is established as a body politic and corporate effective upon your approval. 100% Federal Funds.

Funds for this are available in 01-02-020210 – Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery, 19110000 – Office of the Director, as follows:

085-5885XX - Inter Agency Transfer of Funds

FY2021 \$22,500,000

Explanation

The State's response to COVID-19 impacted its executive branch agencies and other state instrumentalities (State Agencies). State Agencies incurred unbudgeted-for expenses for various aspects of the pandemic response. State Agencies incurred expenses for:

- Public health expenses
- Payroll expense for public safety, public health, health care, human services, and similar employees whose services are substantially dedicated to mitigating or responding to the COVID-19 public health emergency

- Expenses of actions to facilitate compliance with COVID-19-related public health measures
- Other COVID-19-related expenses reasonably necessary to the function of government that satisfy the CARES Act funds eligibility criteria

The GOFERR will replace the expense account of 5885XX with the appropriate agency code that coincides with the eligible agencies that meet the criteria to receive funds once certified.

Additionally, the GOFERR will set aside at least \$5,000,000 of the total authorized amount for additional or unanticipated COVID-related agency expenses incurred from March 1, 2020 through December 30, 2020. \$17,500,000 is expected to be expended on known, qualified COVID-related agency expenses. Should any funds remain, they will be added to the aforementioned reserve.

All CARES Act funds used under this allocation are for expenses or costs incurred prior to December 30, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

Chase A. Hagaman

Deputy Director, GOFERR