## A PROCLAMATION FROM HIS EXCELLENCY

## THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, I have declared public health and civil preparedness emergencies throughout the State of Connecticut in response to the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) outbreak in the United States and Connecticut; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the emergency declarations, I have issued executive orders to protect public health, limit transmission of COVID-19, and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic (the "COVID-19 Orders"); and

WHEREAS, a very small number of the COVID-19 Orders remain necessary to ensure a comprehensive, robust, and flexible response to and recovery from the pandemic, including the ongoing campaign to provide vaccinations, the need to provide adequate healthcare, testing, and other services, and the ability to provide emergency fiscal relief and housing to citizens affected by the public health and economic effects of the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, as a result, I will need to extend this very small number of the COVID-19 Orders; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Special Act 21-5, I have informed the leaders of the General Assembly, by letter, copying all members, that I intend to renew the declarations of public health and civil preparedness emergencies through February 15, 2022;

**NOW THEREFORE, I, NED LAMONT,** by the authority vested in me under Article III of the Amendments to the Constitution of Connecticut and Section 2-7 of the Connecticut General Statutes, and to preserve orderly and decent government, do hereby:

Convene the General Assembly in Special Session in Hartford on September 27, 2021 to approve the renewal through February 15, 2022 of the declarations of public health and civil preparedness emergencies in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Given under my hand and Seal of the State at the City of Hartford, this  $22^{nd}$  day of September in the year two thousand and twenty-one.

Ned Lamont Governor