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The Honorable Gavin Newsom
Governor of the State of California
1303 10th Street, Suite 1173
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Governor Newsom,

Last week, our Board approved and sent the attached letter to the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology, advocating for temporary lifting of restrictions, allowing local barbers and hairstylists to work in the homes of their clients. We are representing local business owners in Lake County, who are suffering financially due to the unprecedented COVID-19 shut down.

By allowing these local professionals to temporarily work in their client's homes, they would be able to provide a greatly needed service while also beginning to restore their own losses of income resulting from the disaster, and reducing their reliance on diminishing disaster relief benefits.

Each operator would guarantee their practices protect their clients and themselves. This would be accomplished by the use of appropriate PPE worn by the stylist, as well as masks and disposable capes worn by the clients. All equipment, including towels, would be cleaned and sanitized prior to each appointment.

Our original letter requested this temporary authority be given for the duration of the Shelter in Place (SIP) Order and during future SIP orders, given the unknown duration and/or potential for resurgence of the disaster.

However, at the time we formulated our original request letter, your office had not released the guidance on what is allowable in the four phases of reopening and now, based on your new guidance, we request your office make this group of working professionals a part of Reopening Phase 2.

To summarize, based on your new guidance, we are writing to request that you make the reopening of barber shops and hairstylists part of Reopening Phase 2. If that is not possible, based on the attached response we received from Kristy Underwood, Executive Officer of the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology we respectfully request you issue an Executive Order authorizing the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology to temporarily lift the restrictions which presently prevent barbers and hairdressers from going into the homes of their clients to do this work during COVID-19 SIP orders.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

COUNTY OF LAKE

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