PUBLIC HEALTH AND ECONOMIC EMERGENCY COMMISSION

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The Honorable Gary R. Herbert Utah State Capitol 350 North State Street, Suite 200 Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-2220

Dear Governor Herbert:

The Public Health and Economic Emergency Commission met on May 29 and June 2, 2020 and discussed the trigger points, including related data, for the state to move from the yellow to green risk level of public health guidance described in the Utah Leads Together plan.

Based on these discussions, the Commission unanimously recommends that the Governor set a goal to transition the state from the yellow to green risk level of public health guidance with some regional and individual exceptions by June 5, contingent upon key data indicators supporting such a transition. The Commission also recommends that the state adopt the most current updates to the yellow and green guidelines described in Phased Guidelines for the General Public and Businesses to Maximize Public Health and Economic Reactivation.

Under the green risk level of the public health guidance, the Commission recommends that high-risk individuals, especially those with underlying medical conditions, follow the red level of public health guidelines and that employers continue to follow the General Guidelines for Employers found in the Utah Leads Together plan. The Commission also recommends that that the Governor emphasize that the transition to green does not indicate a return to pre-COVID-19 activity and continue to encourage individuals in the state to practice social distancing and mask wearing out of a sense of individual responsibility and mutual respect.

Sincerely

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