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March 19, 2020

Mr. Larry Walther, Secretary
Department of Finance & Administration
1509 West 7th Street, Suite 401
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. Walther:

Pursuant to ALC Rule 16, the Co-Chairs of the Legislative Council and the ALC PEER Subcommittee determined that emergency approval of the following appropriation request was necessary to enable the agency to perform essential services: *Various Temporary Appropriation Request – Department of Finance and Administration – Disbursing Officer - \$30,000,000.*

As such, the Co-Chairs of the Legislative Council and the Co-Chairs of the ALC PEER Subcommittee acted on behalf of the Legislative Council in regard to this request. This request shall be filed as approved and reported to the Legislative Council at its next regularly scheduled meeting in accordance with ALC Rule 16.

Please notify each affected agency of this emergency approval.

Sincerely,

Marty Garrity
Executive Secretary

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Attachment

Cc: Senator Cecile Bledsoe, Co-Chair, Arkansas Legislative Council
Representative Jeff Wardlaw, Co-Chair, Arkansas Legislative Council
Senator Bruce Maloch, Co-Chair, ALC PEER
Representative DeAnn Vaught, Co-Chair, ALC PEER
Mr. Jake Bleed, Director of Budget, department of Finance & Administration

ALC - Performance Evaluation and Expenditure Review (PEER)
ALC Subcommittee Report for
Emergency Action
March 19, 2020

On March 19, 2020, Senator Cecile Bledsoe and Representative Jeff Wardlaw, Co-Chairs of the Legislative Council, and Senator Bruce Maloch and Representative DeAnn Vaught, Co-Chairs of the PEER Subcommittee, received written notification from Larry Walther, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, requesting emergency approval for a Various Temporary Appropriation request.

Under Rule 16 of the Rules of the Arkansas Legislative Council, on March 19, 2020 the Co-Chairs of the Legislative Council and PEER Subcommittee unanimously determined that emergency approval was necessary to enable the agency to perform essential services. As such, the Co-Chairs of the Legislative Council and the Co-Chairs of the PEER Subcommittee may act on behalf of the Legislative Council in regard to this request, and state herein that the request shall be filed as approved and reported to the Legislative Council at its next regularly scheduled meeting in accordance with Rule 16.

Below is a summary of the request given emergency approval.

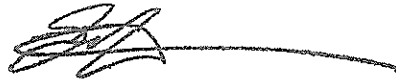
Various Temporary Appropriation Request (Approval Item)

Department of Finance and Administration – Disbursing Officer – \$30,000,000

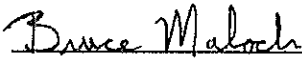
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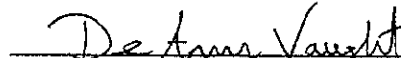
Senator Cecile Bledsoe, Co-Chair
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Senator Bruce Maloch, Co-Chair
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March 18, 2020

Senator Cecile Bledsoe, Chair
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RE: Emergency Action Procedures Request

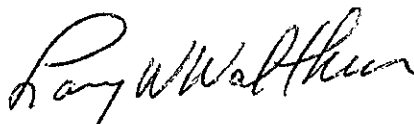
Dear Co-Chairs:

This is to inform you that there is an item for Legislative Council review that requires your immediate attention. Because of the time-sensitive nature of this item, the Department of Finance and Administration respectfully requests an expedited review.

This request is for Various Temporary Appropriation Transfer of \$30,000,000. This request has received my approval as Chief Fiscal Officer of the State. The additional appropriation is necessary allow utilization of the Governor's Disaster Fund to secure a bulk supply of critical supply items and personal protective equipment to protect Arkansas health care workers, first responders, hospital and medical facilities, and clinics during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.

I ask that you please institute emergency action procedures for consideration of these matters and sign them out of Committee per Rule 16 of the Rules of the Arkansas Legislative Council.

Sincerely,


Larry W. Walther
Secretary

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March 18, 2020

Secretary Larry W. Walther
Department of Finance and Administration
1509 West Seventh Street, Suite 401
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Dear Mr. Walther,

I respectfully request your approval for an additional appropriation under Section 34 of Act 1006 of 2019, in the amount of \$30,000,000 to the Disaster Assistance Grants Appropriation. This Appropriation is necessary allow utilization of the Governor's Disaster Fund to secure a bulk supply of personal protective equipment to protect Arkansas health care workers, first responders, hospital and medical facilities, and clinics during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.

ACA 12-75-114 (c)6 Provides that the Governor's Disaster fund may be increased from time to time at the discretion of the Governor.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Melanie Hazeslip'.

Melanie Hazeslip
Administrator

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