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To Whom It May Concern:

In further response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Dr. Scott Harris, State Health Officer, issued an April 3, 2020, order requiring Alabama residents to remain in their homes from April 4, 2020, through April 30, 2020, except to perform essential functions as defined in the order. However, there are certain organizations whose employees, by the nature of their work, are deemed essential and therefore, may be exempt from the order's stay-at-home directive.

In an effort to assist federal, state, and local law enforcement in identifying those employees, the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA) has made available a template Access Letter, produced by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, as an example of documentation businesses may provide and essential employees may present to law enforcement during the effective dates of the April 3 order. An Access Letter, when presented with proper federal, state, or employer-issued photo identification, will assist law enforcement in verifying that the bearer is engaged in an essential function.

The unprecedented challenges presented by COVID-19 require an unprecedented level of cooperation between the public and law enforcement. ALEA stands ready to support residents, businesses, and law enforcement throughout Alabama as we work together to overcome this pandemic.

Sincerely,

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