



***EXTRAORDINARY SESSION CALLED BY THE  
GOVERNOR  
July 2, 2017***

***STATE OF DELAWARE  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
DOVER***

***PROCLAMATION***

**WHEREAS**, the Governor is the supreme executive of the State of Delaware, with the obligation to take care that the laws be faithfully executed; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor is entitled to recall the just-completed session of the 149<sup>th</sup> General Assembly; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor may convene the General Assembly into a special session on extraordinary occasion by proclamation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor has the discretion to determine what constitutes an extraordinary occasion; and

**WHEREAS**, the Delaware Constitution and Delaware Code contemplate that the General Assembly will present to the Governor on an annual basis a Budget Appropriation Bill, for the purpose of appropriating funds that will enable the operations of state government; and

**WHEREAS**, the Budget Appropriation Bill for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, has expired by its terms and is no longer operative; and

**WHEREAS**, the General Assembly has failed to pass a Budget Appropriation Bill for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, the General Assembly has not appropriated any funds that will permit the government to conduct its normal operations after 11:59 P.M. on June 30, 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, the State has no provision for the automatic funding of the critical functions of government that are necessary to ensure the health, safety and welfare of its citizens when no Budget Appropriation Bill has been enacted; and

**WHEREAS**, the State is facing a potential government shutdown that could impair the health, safety and/or welfare of the citizens of Delaware; and

**WHEREAS**, citizens of the State will suffer myriad harms in the event of a government shutdown, including the temporary elimination of public services, followed by backlogs and delays in services when the government reopens, delayed repairs and maintenance to government infrastructure and facilities and, in the case of state employees and businesses who contract with the State, the potential for lost wages, late payments and delayed projects; and



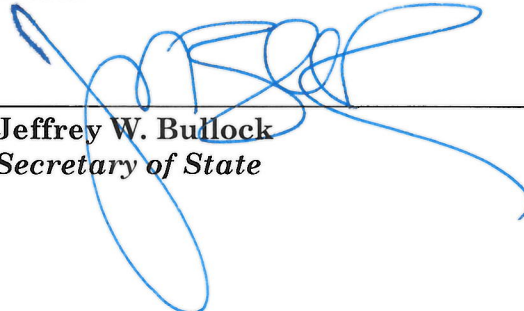
**NOW THEREFORE, I, JOHN C. CARNEY**, by the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Delaware, pursuant to Article III, Section 16 of the Constitution of the State of Delaware, do hereby convene the 149th General Assembly of the State of Delaware into Extraordinary Session on July 2, 2017 at 1:00 P.M. for the limited purposes of (1) considering tax and fee revenue producing measures to resolve the estimated deficit for Fiscal Year 2018, (2) adopting a Budget Appropriation Act for Fiscal Year 2018, (3) adopting a Bond and Capital Improvements Act for Fiscal Year 2018, (4) adopting a Grants-in-Aid Act for Fiscal Year 2018, and (5) other budget-related business as may lawfully come before it.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, JOHN C. CARNEY**, Governor of the State of Delaware, have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of said State to be affixed hereunto at Dover, this 1st day of July, in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Seventeen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-One.



  
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**John C. Carney**  
Governor

**Attest:**

  
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**Jeffrey W. Bullock**  
Secretary of State