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Governor Sisolak issues Emergency Directive related to evictions moratorium

CARSON CITY, NV – Today, Nevada Governor Steve Sisolak signed and issued Emergency Directive 036, which implements a moratorium on most residential evictions in Nevada, through March 31. The moratorium was announced by the Governor on Sunday.

The moratorium will apply to tenants unable to pay rent due to circumstances related to COVID-19 and will not prohibit certain evictions; including for example, evictions based on breaches of a lease for unlawful activity or nuisance.

“When people are evicted, it is impossible to stay home,” Gov. Sisolak said. “They are out looking for jobs and housing to desperately save their families. They will spread COVID-19 unintentionally, because they have no options.”

The CDC and state public health officials have expressed concern over families and individuals being evicted. The COVID-19 Medical Advisory team formally recommended reinstatement of an eviction moratorium to reduce increased community transmission caused by displacement and homelessness in Nevada. According to our state health officials, when people are evicted they are at higher risk of getting COVID-19 as families may be forced to share a smaller space or live in crowded shelters.

Local officials are also concerned with the possibility of our shelters and other congregate housing options being overrun with homeless families.

The evictions moratorium directive and other related guidance documents are attached to this email.

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