



STATE OF MICHIGAN  
JOCELYN BENSON, SECRETARY OF STATE  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
LANSING

April 17, 2020

Dear Industry Leaders,

Thank you for your assistance over the past several weeks fielding emergency appointment requests from your members and staff during the [“Stay Home, Stay Safe”](#) executive order. My staff and I are grateful for your help during this unprecedented time.

**I write to ensure you are aware that expirations have been extended for certain credentials issued by the Secretary of State’s office that may impact the renewal needs of your organization’s employees or members.**

Following a request my administration made of Governor Gretchen Whitmer, she issued [Executive Order 2020-47](#), extending expirations to June 30, 2020, for all driver’s licenses, state identification cards, commercial driver’s licenses, chauffeur’s licenses and vehicle registrations that would have otherwise expired between February 1, 2020, and May 31, 2020. Gross vehicle weight plates (GVW plates) and other commercial vehicle registrations which expired on or after March 1, 2020, are also extended through June 30, 2020. Finally, the order extends medical certificates for operator and chauffeur’s license holders who must carry a valid medical certificate in order to operate a commercial vehicle may and whose endorsement expired on or after March 1.

**However, all credentials that can be renewed online should be at [Michigan.gov/SOS](#).** Those who are not eligible to renew their credential online will need to make an appointment for after our offices have reopened and are again offering the service they need. We do not yet have a timeline for how we will phase our reopening. Appointments can be made on our website or by calling 888-SOS-MICH.

While our offices are closed, we remain committed to providing emergency in-person services to members of your industry who require a service not addressed by the executive order extending expirations. We appreciate your continued support vetting and facilitating this emergency service for your members.

Thank you in advance for your continued partnership. Stay safe and stay well.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jocelyn Benson".

Jocelyn Benson  
Secretary of State