PROCLAMATION FOR SPECIAL SESSION
2020

WHEREAS: The Ninety First Legislature adjourned its session on May 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS: Our State faces historic challenges; and

WHEREAS: The tragic and unnecessary death of George Floyd has laid bare the need for systemic police accountability and reform in Minnesota; and

WHEREAS: The COVID-19 pandemic continues to threaten Minnesotans and burden our State’s resources; and

WHEREAS: Both the COVID-19 pandemic and recent civil unrest have caused economic damage to local communities, leaving Minnesota in need of a stronger and more equitable economy; and

WHEREAS: The Minnesota Constitution allows the Governor to call a special session of the Legislature on extraordinary occasions; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota Statutes 2019, section 12.31, subdivision 2(b), provides that, if the Governor determines a need to extend a peacetime emergency beyond 30 days and the Legislature is not sitting in session, the Governor must issue a call immediately convening both houses of the Legislature; and

WHEREAS: An extraordinary occasion, as envisioned by the Minnesota Constitution, has arisen, and it is necessary to extend the COVID-19 Peacetime Emergency originally declared on March 13, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM WALZ, Governor of Minnesota, by the authority vested in me by Article IV, Section 12 of the Minnesota Constitution and Sections 4.03 and 12.31 of the Minnesota Statutes, summon the members of the Legislature to convene in Special Session on Friday, June 12, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. at the State Capitol in Saint Paul, Minnesota.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol on Wednesday, June 10, 2020.

GOVERNOR

STEVE SIMON
SECRETARY OF STATE

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