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STAY HOME STAY SAFE ORDER EXTENDED TO MAY 28 - REOPENS MANUFACTURING

Governor Whitmer signed today Executive Order (EO) 2020-77 that extends Michigan's Stay Home, Stay Safe temporary requirement to suspend activities order until May 28. This new order continues to require people to stay at home most of the time and was previously in place through May 15. It will allow manufacturing workers, including those at Michigan's Big Three auto companies, to resume work on Monday, May 11. Manufacturing facilities must adopt protocols include conducting a daily entry screening for workers and everyone else entering the facility. This order replaces EO 2020-70 which continues to require people to wear homemade face coverings when they enter enclosed public spaces.

To view the entire EO 2020-77 go to: https://content.govdelivery.com/attachments/MIEOG/2020/05/07/file_attachments/1446124/EO%202020-77.pdf

GOVERNOR WHITMER DETAILS SIX PHASES OF HER MI SAFE START PLAN

Governor Gretchen Whitmer unveiled for the first time what criteria needs to be met to reopen various stages of society. Below are the details of the six phases of what she is calling her MI Safe Start Plan to re-engage Michigan's economy. The governor announced how she has worked with leaders in health care, business, labor, and education to develop the plan, and announced that she puts Michigan in phase three.

The phases of the pandemic include:

- **Uncontrolled Growth** - The increasing number of new cases every day, overwhelming our health systems.
- **Persistent Spread** - We continue to see high case levels with concern about health system capacity.
- **Flattening** - The epidemic is no longer increasing and the health-system's capacity is sufficient for current needs.
- **Improving** - Cases, hospitalizations and deaths are clearly declining.
- **Containing** - Continued case and death rate improvements, with outbreaks quickly contained.
- **Post-Pandemic** - Community spread not expected to return.

"I am working closely with health care experts and epidemiologists to closely monitor Michigan's progress in the fight against COVID-19," said Governor Whitmer. "As we move forward with the MI Safe Start Plan, I am working closely with partners in business, labor, and education to determine the best way to move forward each day. All of us know the importance of getting people back to work and the economy moving again. We've already reopened lower-risk sectors like construction, manufacturing, and lawn care.

"The worst thing we can do is open up in a way that causes a second wave of infections and death, puts health care workers at further risk, and wipes out all the progress we've made. That's why we will continue to monitor the spread of this virus, hospital capacity, testing rates, and more as we work toward reaching the 'improving' phase."

To view the full MI Safe Start Plan: https://content.govdelivery.com/attachments/MIEOG/2020/05/07/file_attachments/1446147/Governor%20Whitmer%27s%20MI%20Safe%20Start%20Plan.pdf

MDOT TO LIFT REMAINING SPRING WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS ON STATE HIGHWAYS STARTING FRIDAY, MAY 8

As of 6 a.m. Friday, May 8, the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) will lift remaining spring weight restrictions on all state trunkline highways in the entire state of Michigan. State routes typically carry M, I, or US designations. This spring weight restriction update does not alter or affect the direction given in Gov. Gretchen Whitmer's Executive Order 2020-44. Permits will still be required for loads exceeding the normal legal limits.

County road commissions and city public works departments put in place their own seasonal weight restrictions, which usually, but not always, coincide with state highway weight restrictions. Signs are generally posted to indicate which routes have weight restrictions in effect.