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GOVERNOR'S OFFICE *for for for for for for*

May 27, 2020

The Honorable Mary Jane Wallner, Chairman Fiscal Committee of the General Court, and

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu And the Honorable Council State House Concord, NH 03301

INFORMATIONAL ITEM

Pursuant to RSA 21-P:43, RSA 4:45, RSA 4:47, Executive Order 2020-04, as extended by Executive Orders 2020-05, 2020-08, and 2020-09, Governor Sununu has authorized the Governor's Office of Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR), to execute the payments required to administer the First Responder COVID-19 Stipend Program from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Funding in an amount of \$24,000,000, effective upon the Governor's approval through June 30, 2020. 100% Federal Funds.

Funding is available in 01-02-002-020210 - Governor's Office for Emergency Relief & Recovery, 19110000 - Office of the Director,

as follows:

072-500574 - Grants Federal 085-588546 - Inter-Agency Transfer Of Federal Funds <u>FY 2020</u> \$20,000,000

\$4,000,000 \$24,000,000

EXPLANATION

The Governor has authorized that effective May 4, 2020, and valid through June 30, 2020, certain active First Responders in the State of New Hampshire may be eligible for a weekly stipend from their employers. The Department of Safety, Homeland Security and Emergency Management (DOS-HSEM) has an online worksheet and application process for first responder hiring authorities. A list (or lists) of stipend - eligible individuals will be provided to DOS-HSEM by each hiring authority. DOS-HSEM will validate the information and provide the total lump sum for each hiring authority to GOFERR to ensure that there is an accurate, smooth, and successful transition of eligible applicant worksheet entries into NH First payments to the hiring authorities.

Respectfully submitte

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