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**PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR  
AMENDING PROCLAMATIONS 20-05, 20-07, and 20-11**

**20-14**

**Reduction of Statewide Limits on Gatherings**

**WHEREAS**, on February 29, 2020, I issued Proclamation 20-05, proclaiming a State of Emergency for all counties throughout the state of Washington as a result of the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) outbreak in the United States and confirmed person-to-person spread of COVID-19 in Washington State; and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of the continued worldwide spread of COVID-19, its significant progression in Washington State, and the high risk it poses to our most vulnerable populations, I have subsequently issued amendatory Proclamations 20-06, 20-07, 20-08, 20-09, 20-10, 20-11, 20-12, and 20-13, exercising my emergency powers under RCW 43.06.220 by prohibiting certain activities and waiving and suspending specified laws and regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, the spread of COVID-19 has been classified by the World Health Organization as a pandemic that spreads easily from person to person and may result in serious illness or death; and

**WHEREAS**, the COVID-19 disease has and continues to spread quickly across the state of Washington, beyond the original community outbreaks in King, Pierce, and Snohomish counties, significantly increasing the threat of significant associated health risks statewide; and

**WHEREAS**, to curtail the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic in Washington State and protect our most vulnerable populations, it is necessary to immediately expand the restrictions on large gatherings of 250 or more as amended under Proclamation 20-11 to gatherings of 50 people or more; and

**WHEREAS**, the worldwide COVID-19 pandemic and its progression in Washington State continue to threaten the life and health of our people as well as the economy of Washington State and remain a public disaster affecting life, health, property or the public peace; and

**WHEREAS**, the Washington State Department of Health (DOH) continues to maintain a Public Health Incident Management Team in coordination with the State Emergency Operations Center and other supporting state agencies to manage the public health aspects of the incident; and

**WHEREAS**, the Washington State Military Department Emergency Management Division, through the State Emergency Operations Center, continues coordinating resources across state government to support the DOH and local health officials in alleviating the impacts to people, property, and infrastructure, and continues coordinating with the DOH in assessing the impacts and long-term effects of the incident on Washington State and its people.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Jay Inslee, Governor of the state of Washington, as a result of the above-noted situation, and under Chapters 38.08, 38.52 and 43.06 RCW, do hereby proclaim that a state of emergency

