WHEREAS, Article 7, Section 11 of the Idaho Constitution provides that except in extraordinary circumstances, expenditures of state government shall not exceed state government revenue; and

WHEREAS, I have determined that expenditures from the General Fund authorized by the Legislature for Fiscal Year 2021 will likely exceed anticipated state revenue to meet those authorized expenditures for the current fiscal year due to the ongoing 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Brad Little, Governor of the State of Idaho, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this state, and pursuant to Section 67-3512A, Idaho Code, do hereby order that:

1. The General Fund spending authority on file with the Office of the State Controller be reduced for all departments, offices and institutions of the state by five percent of their Fiscal Year 2021 General Fund Appropriation. This is necessary to ensure state expenditures do not exceed revenues.

2. Each department, office and institution shall notify the Office of the State Controller and the Division of Financial Management of their budget changes by July 15, 2020.

3. Elected state Constitutional officials are requested to assess and evaluate a reduction in General Fund expenditures for Fiscal Year 2021 to reflect the realities of the projected revenue shortfall without impairing the discharge of their constitutional duties.

4. Officers of the legislative and judicial branches are requested to assess and evaluate a reduction in General Fund expenditures for Fiscal Year 2021 to reflect the realities of the projected revenue shortfall without impairing the discharge of their constitutional duties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho in Boise on this 1st day of July in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty.

BRAD LITTLE
GOVERNOR

LAWRENCE DENNEY
SECRETARY OF STATE