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## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT STATE OF CALIFORNIA

### EXECUTIVE ORDER N-07-21

**WHEREAS** on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS** since March 2020, the State has taken decisive and meaningful actions to reduce the spread, and mitigate the impacts, of COVID-19, saving untold number of lives, and to protect the ability of the State's health care system to deliver health care to all people in California who require it; and

**WHEREAS** the effective actions of Californians over the past fifteen months have successfully curbed the spread of COVID-19, resulting in dramatically lower disease prevalence and death, in the State; and

**WHEREAS** as of June 9, 2021, 54.3% of eligible Californians have received full course of COVID-19 vaccination, raising the level of overall immunity in the State; and

**WHEREAS** the State continues to promote and facilitate vaccination of eligible Californians; and

**WHEREAS** given the current outlook, it is appropriate to reevaluate existing public health directives to allow for a full reopening of California while maintaining caution and vigilance as California continues to increase vaccination rates and monitor COVID-19 variants; and

**WHEREAS** the California Department of Public Health and State Health Officer are empowered to issue mandatory public health directives to protect the public health in response to a contagious disease under existing State law including, but not necessarily limited to, Health and Safety Code sections 120125, 120130(c), 120135, 120140, 120145, 120175, 120195 and 131080; and

**WHEREAS** to preserve the flexibility to modify public health directives as