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The Honorable Tom Wolf
Office of the Governor
225 Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, PA 18120

Dear Governor Wolf:

There is wide recognition that decisive steps must be taken by state officials to try to contain the spread of coronavirus. At the same time, people are quickly realizing that broad restrictions adopted out of concern for public safety can create complications for individual needs and rights in unanticipated ways.

Several local officials and residents have alerted me to such a complication arising from the closing of county courthouses. This presents a problem for the many Pennsylvanians who wish to renew their license to carry permits. A few sheriffs have reportedly been able to arrange off site processing, but the majority have not because of a variety of logistical difficulties born of health cautions.

One suggestion I have received is to extend existing LTC permits until the state of emergency is lifted, which would prevent law abiding permit holders from being arbitrarily stuck in unfortunate and unnecessary legal limbo.

I respectfully request action be taken to resolve this matter in a timely and responsible manner. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lisa Baker".

Lisa Baker
Senator

pc: Pennsylvania Sheriff's Association