March 25th, 2020

Governor Gretchen Whitmer
George W. Romney Building
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Lansing, MI 4809

Dear Governor Whitmer,

I am writing to you today to ask you to consider clarifying the Essential Services classifications under Executive Order 2020-21 to allow for limited automotive sales during this coronavirus pandemic.

The coronavirus is placing new demands on our law enforcement, first responders, hospitals, health care workers, essential government operations and other critical infrastructure employees. In order to meet these demands some in our critical infrastructure workforce will need to lease or purchase a vehicle. Yesterday I heard about a hospital that attempted to lease vehicles to deliver supplies and was unable to do so. I am concerned that these situations will continue to arise as our critical infrastructure workforce meets these new challenges.

The people of Michigan rely on their vehicles to perform tasks that are necessary to their health and safety; to obtain necessary services or supplies for themselves, their family, or household members; and to care for minors, dependents, the elderly, persons with disabilities, or other vulnerable persons. Limited sales would allow a person who requires a new vehicle because of an automobile accident to continue this necessary travel.

Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely,

Matt Hall
State Representative
District 63