June 24, 2020

Cheryl Strange, Secretary
Department of Social and Health Services
P.O. Box 45010
Olympia, WA 98504-5010

Dear Secretary Strange:

Pursuant to Chapter 7, Laws of 2020, I am writing to amend the timeframe and allocation amount approved for the Disaster Cash Assistance Program in my April 20, 2020 letter to the Department of Social and Health Services.

The allocation from the Disaster Response Account for the Disaster Cash Assistance Program was originally $12.6 million and is hereby reduced to $11.3 million. The program is expected to provide assistance to individuals and families without children from April to July 1, 2020. This is pursuant to Governor’s Proclamation 20-18, 20-52, 20-52.1, 20-52.2 and 20-52.3, which expanded eligibility for the Family Emergency Assistance Program.

Using expenditure authority code 6C0, please submit the required allotment amendment packet to the Office of Financial Management using the “Operating Allocation” packet type. If you receive any federal funding for these purposes, report the amount and fund source to OFM so we can appropriately account for it.

We appreciate your vital efforts in responding to this health crisis. If you have any questions, please contact Nona Snell, Assistant Director for Budget, at (360) 902-0542 or nona.snell@ofm.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

David Schumacher
Director

cc: Charlie Gavigan, Staff Coordinator, House Appropriations Committee
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