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Cheryl Strange, Secretary
Department of Social and Health Services
P.O. Box 45130
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Dear Secretary Strange:

Pursuant to enactment of the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act (P.L. 116-136), I hereby amend the purpose of the allocation made to the Department of Social and Health Services on October 27, 2020 for \$233,071,000 from General Fund-Federal (Coronavirus Relief Funds). In addition to the purpose identified in the original allocation, I am approving up to \$1,000,000 for the purchase of N95 masks.

The Adult Family Home Council has communicated an increased need for N95 masks to enable providers to have masks on hand and to arrange for fit testing for staff in advance of a COVID-19 outbreak in the home. This will ensure that adult family home providers have the critical resources to respond to an outbreak, and will help prevent the transfer of clients to more expensive settings, such as a skilled nursing facility or hospital. We encourage DSHS to maximize the use of the state's existing N95 mask supply, if possible.

According to guidance issued by the federal government on the Coronavirus Relief Funds, for a cost to be considered to have been incurred, the performance or delivery must take place by December 30, 2020, but payment can occur up to 90 days afterwards.

This allocation is associated with Unanticipated Receipt #0136. If you have any questions, please contact OFM Budget Operations at (360) 902-0555 or budget.operations@ofm.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Schumacher".

David Schumacher
Director

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