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September 18, 2020

Suzi LeVine, Commissioner
Employment Security Department
P.O. Box 9046
Olympia, WA 98507

Dear Commissioner LeVine:

Pursuant to the enactment of the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act (P.L. 116-136), I hereby allocate \$2,811,926 from General Fund-Federal (Coronavirus Relief Funds) to the Employment Security Department (ESD) for the state's share of the administrative expenses associated with the federal Lost Wages Assistance program.

ESD received an award from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (Unanticipated Receipt #0183) to provide a weekly lost wage supplement of \$300 to eligible unemployment claimants for five weeks from July 26 – August 29, 2020. The lost wages program will require \$11,247,702 in administrative expenses, and the state must provide a 25 percent match of \$2,811,926. The state match is an eligible expense for CARES Act funding (Coronavirus Relief Funds).

The Office of Financial Management approved the state match funding in Unanticipated Receipt #0109. Please submit the required allotment amendment packet to OFM using the "Operating Allocation" packet type with expenditure authority code 7Z0 for General Fund-Federal.

We appreciate your vital efforts in responding to this health crisis. 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

cc: Charlie Gavigan, Staff Coordinator, House Appropriations Committee
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