



March 20, 2020

Honorable Tate Reeves
Governor of Mississippi
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Dear Governor Reeves:

As governments at all levels continue their tireless work to limit the spread of the coronavirus through quarantines and other containment methods, it is imperative that the construction industry and those that produce and deliver essential building materials are able to perform their work in an efficient and timely manner.

Not only do these industries perform the work necessary to build and maintain our nation's critical infrastructure, they build America's commercial and residential structures, driving hundreds of billions of dollars in economic activity and thus making people feel safe in their homes and businesses. Maintaining these industries is vital to our nation's ability to continue developing and improving public works projects and sustain what we can of the construction boom that many of America's great cities have enjoyed in recent years.

For these reasons, we request that Mississippi join other states such as New York, Illinois, and California in exempting construction activities from quarantines and other restrictions of business and social activities. Please designate construction, specifically the Concrete, Stone, Sand, Gravel, and Cement industries as essential services. The construction industry has always been the backbone of our economy. During this critical time in our nation's history, and to reiterate, it is imperative that the entire construction industry be characterized as essential industry and exempted from any current or future mandatory quarantines.

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For the men and women in construction, safety has always been our top priority. Rest assured it will remain that way as we continue to operate during these trying times. Thank you for your leadership, time, and consideration. Should you have any questions, do not hesitate to reach out to us directly.

Sincerely,

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