WHEREAS, the Governor’s Advisory Council on Disability Affairs was originally established by executive order to monitor state compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and to advise the Governor of the needs of individuals with disabilities and/or on other related concerns;

WHEREAS, the Governor’s Advisory Council on Disability Affairs was reestablished and recreated within the executive department, Office of the Governor, through Executive Order Number JBE 16-10, on April 7, 2016;

WHEREAS, the Council is required to provide an annual report to the Governor regarding issues of concern to Louisiana citizens with disabilities, identifying the needs, issues, and solutions relative to persons with disabilities; assisting the Office of Disability Affairs, when requested, in the resolution of state disabilities issues; and providing education, communication, and networking services concerning disability issues and needs for all Louisiana citizens; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend Executive Order Number JBE 16-10.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN BEL EDWARDS, Governor of the State of Louisiana, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: Section 4 of Executive Order Number JBE 16-10, issued on April 7, 2016, is hereby amended as follows:

The Council shall be composed of a maximum of twenty-nine (29) at-large members, which will include members with disabilities who, unless otherwise specified, shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor and two (2) non-voting members, ex officio members who will not be counted for purposes of a quorum, which shall include:

1. One (1) member of the Louisiana State Senate, designated by the President of the Louisiana Senate; and

2. One (1) member of the Louisiana House of Representatives designated by the Speaker of the Louisiana House of Representatives.

The head of each state agency that reports to the Governor shall assign the appropriate person(s) within the agency to participate in Council meetings, including Council committee meetings, as requested by the Office of Disability Affairs, Office of the Governor.
SECTION 2: This Order is effective upon signature and shall continue in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the Governor, or terminated by operation of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Louisiana in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 2nd day of March, 2020.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

ATTEST BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE

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SECRETARY OF STATE