

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT PROCLAMATION NUMBER 87 JBE 2020

LEGAL STATE HOLIDAY - JULY 3, 2020

- WHEREAS, pursuant to R.S. 1:55(A)(1), (A)(4), and (B)(1)(a), Friday, July 3, 2020, is a legal holiday in recognition of Independence Day and a day of public rest in the State of Louisiana which is observed by the departments of the State;
- WHEREAS, R.S. 1:55(B)(3) empowers the Governor to authorize, by Executive Proclamation, the observance by the departments of the State of other holidays and half-holidays that the Governor deems in keeping with efficient administration; and
- WHEREAS, the citizens of the State of Louisiana and the officers and employees of the departments of the State will benefit from a legal holiday during a period when Americans traditionally remember and celebrate our country's independence.

NOW THEREFORE I, JOHN BEL EDWARDS, Governor of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

- **SECTION 1:** Saturday, July 4, 2020 is a legal holiday. Friday, July 3, 2020, is declared a legal holiday in the State of Louisiana and shall be observed as a day of public rest.
- SECTION 2: Insofar as practicable, the appointing authorities and/or heads of all institutions, offices and departments of the State (hereafter "appointing authority") shall permit the officers and employees under their control to observe Friday, July 3 and Saturday, July 4, 2020, as a day of public rest. Nonetheless, an appointing authority shall have discretion to require officers or employees to work on the holiday when, in the appointing authority's judgment, it is required for the efficient administration of a State facility, the operation of which is necessary and indispensable to the citizens of this State.

ATTEST BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana in the City of Baton Rouge on this 1st day of July, 2020.

GOVERNOR OF VOLUSIANA

SECRETARY OF STATE