



State of Louisiana
Gaming Control Board

JOHN BEL EDWARDS
GOVERNOR

RONNIE JONES
CHAIRMAN

ORDER OF THE LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD
COVID-19 EMERGENCY ORDER NO. 8

WHEREAS, La. R.S. 27:1 et seq, grants to the Louisiana Gaming Control Board ("the Board") all regulatory authority and control and all power incidental or necessary to such regulatory authority over all aspects of gaming activities under its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, on the 13th day of March, 2020, the Governor of the state of Louisiana, did issue an Executive Order, authorizing all state agencies to extend any non-essential deadline for a period of no longer than 30 days if deemed necessary to respond to the threat of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on the 16th day of March, 2020, the undersigned Chairman of the Louisiana Gaming Control Board ordered the cessation of all gaming operation conducted at the land-based casino, all licensed riverboat casinos, and all slots at the tract licensed facilities until March 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on the 23rd day of March, 2020, the undersigned Chairman of the Louisiana Gaming Control Board extended the March 16th, 2020 order until April 12, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on the 2nd day of April, 2020, the Governor of the state of Louisiana did issue Proclamation Number 41 JBE 2020, authorizing all state agencies to further extend any non-essential deadline for a period of no longer than 30 days if deemed necessary to respond to the threat of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Proclamation Number 41 JBE 2020 also specifically provided for the closure of all casinos, video poker establishments, and racetracks from April 2, 2020 to April 30, 2020, or as extended by any subsequent Proclamation, unless terminated sooner; and

WHEREAS, the Chairman of the Board has determined that the threat of COVID-19 is an extraordinary situation requiring immediate action to protect the health, safety, welfare, and interests of the state of Louisiana and its citizens;

IT IS, THEREFORE, HEREBY ORDERED that, effective immediately:

1. Effective immediately, the cessation of all gaming operations and activities conducted at all video draw poker gaming establishments by order of the undersigned dated March 16, 2020, for a period of two weeks, effective at midnight, March 16, 2020 and ending at midnight, March 30, 2020, and thereafter, extended to an ending date and time of midnight April 12, 2020, is hereby extended to an ending date and time of midnight April 30, 2020.

2. This order may be extended, amended, or rescinded by the Chairman of the Board upon a change or continuation of circumstances.

**THUS DONE AND SIGNED IN BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA, THIS 7th DAY OF
APRIL, 2020.**



**RONNIE JONES, CHAIRMAN
LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD**