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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Honorable Clay J. Schexnayder Speaker of the House Louisiana House of Representatives Post Office Box 94062 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9062

> RE: Veto of House Bill 562 of the 2020 Regular Session

House of Representatives Clerk's Office

Dear Speaker Schexnayder:

Please be advised that I have vetoed House Bill 562 of the 2020 Regular Session.

House Bill 562 restricts the ability of executive branch agencies to transfer funds within their appropriated budgets. This unnecessary restriction would limit the ability of state agencies to properly respond to events that may develop over a budget year, such as natural disasters. Further, the author of the bill did not provide any explanation of why this bill was needed for the executive branch, but not for the other branches of government.

John Bel Edwards

Governor

Honorable Patrick Page Cortez Louisiana Senate President

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