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**TO:** Interested Stakeholders

**FROM:** Governor Jay Inslee

**DATE:** May 8, 2020

**SUBJECT:** Resuming the Pet Walking Industry – Proclamation 20-25

This memorandum serves as the criteria for resuming pet walking services under Phase 1 and is effective as of May 8, 2020.

After consulting with stakeholders, we have developed the comprehensive Phase 1 – Pet Walking Industry COVID-19 Requirements. These requirements apply as long as Gubernatorial Proclamation 20-25, or any extension thereof, is in effect or if adopted as rules by a federal, state or local regulatory agency.

This memorandum stands in the place of any omission from the Appendix to Proclamation 20-25, “Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers.”

For purposes of this memorandum, “pet walking services” means the provision of professional walking services of any domesticated animal or animals. Pet walking services do not include pet grooming, pet care, animal training, or any other animal-related industry designated as “essential” in the Appendix to Proclamation 20-25.

**No professionals governed by this memorandum may operate until they can meet and maintain all requirements, including providing materials, schedules and equipment required to comply.**

- **General questions about how to comply with safety practices** can be submitted to the state’s Business Response Center at <https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/2562f1caf5814c46a6bf163762263aa5>.
- **All other violations related to Proclamation 20-25** can be submitted at <https://bit.ly/covidcompliance>.