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Chad F. Wolf
Acting Secretary of Homeland Security
Under Secretary for Strategy, Policy and Plans
United States Department of Homeland Security
245 Murray Lane, SW
Washington, DC 20528

Dear Acting Secretary Wolf:

Considering the recent spread of COVID-19, and out of an abundance of caution, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania will be suspending the current issuance of REAL ID products in PennDOT Driver Licensing Centers in Southeastern Pennsylvania for the next two weeks. This will include the following counties:

- Philadelphia County
- Montgomery County
- Chester County
- Delaware County
- Bucks County
- Berks County
- Lancaster County
- Lehigh County

The significant increase of customer volume in the Driver License Centers obtaining a REAL ID product potentially impacts the health and safety of both staff and customers. Reducing in-person transactions will mitigate the potential of COVID-19 transmission.

At this time, I would ask you to consider for the safety of Pennsylvania citizens, as well as others in the United States, extending the October 1, 2020, effective date for REAL ID compliance.

Thank you in advance for your consideration. If you have any questions, please contact Kurt Myers, Deputy Secretary for Driver and Vehicle Services at 717.705.1000.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Yassmin Gramian".

Yassmin Gramian, P.E., Acting Secretary
Pennsylvania Department of Transportation