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Hello,

In compliance with the governor's Executive Order 20-08 <<https://www.in.gov/gov/2384.htm>>, issued today, the State Library is closed. Staff are working from home and responding to your questions so please continue to contact us and we'll continue to provide resources and information. We encourage everyone to read this full order, as it contains more information that may help to inform your local decisions regarding continuation of services and employment practices when there are employees still working on site.

InfoExpress service will be taking a hiatus beginning Wednesday, March 25. <x-apple-data-detectors://11> Service will resume Tuesday, April 7. <x-apple-data-detectors://12> Nicole Brock will follow up with additional details.

As you know, INSPIRE remains available to all Hoosiers. You may not yet be aware that EBSCO and Rosetta Stone have offered free upgrades through June 30. <x-apple-data-detectors://8> More information on those expansions and others will be forthcoming.

Please note the following update to guidance we previously issued related to public meetings:

In accordance with Executive Order 20-09 <<https://www.in.gov/gov/2384.htm>>, also issued today, library boards may continue to meet electronically to address essential matters. However, the requirement for one member to be present in person is suspended. Therefore, it is more important than ever to find a way to stream or allow the public to observe/participate in the meeting electronically and get those meeting notices posted on the library website. A quorum must still be present electronically.

Executive Order 20-09 also suspends the depository rule (IC 5-13-6-1 <x-apple-data-detectors://15>). Libraries may reduce deposits of public funds to no less than twice weekly provided that on intervening days, any funds are properly secured and subject to adequate internal controls.

The order also modifies the requirements for requests for and responses to public records. See page 2 paragraph #4 B.

The expiration date of any librarian permits or certificates that expire during the public health emergency shall be extended automatically to Friday, May 22, 2020<x-apple-data-detectors://16>.

Additionally, for those of you who may not be aware, Executive Order 20-05, <First,%20the%20expiration%20date%20of%20any%20librarian%20permits%20or%20certificates%20that%20expire%20during%20the%20public%20health%20emergency%20shall%20be%20extended%20automatically%20to%20Friday,%20May%2022,%202020.> issued late last week, suspends the procurement rules as they apply to the purchase of goods, equipment and services by state and local governmental entities to the extent those goods, equipment and services are needed to respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency

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