

Executive Department State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

State Capital Boise

WHEREAS, Article 4, Section 9 of the Constitution of the State of Idaho empowers the Governor, on extraordinary occasions, to convene the Legislature by proclamation; and

WHEREAS, inflation is at a 40-year high, putting gas, groceries, and other necessities out of reach for many Idahoans. Idaho taxpayers and the education system are especially imperiled by the consequences of historic inflation; and

WHEREAS, the State of Idaho's responsible, prudent budgeting has resulted in a record-breaking fiscal surplus, which equips the state to take action now to mitigate the harmful impacts of inflation; and

WHEREAS, by acting now, the state can return a portion of the surplus to Idaho taxpayers and make needed investments in education to counter rising costs and the likely increase in post-secondary enrollment that occurs during times of economic instability; and

WHEREAS, the need to respond to the effects of inflation on taxpayers and the education system constitutes an extraordinary occasion. The state cannot risk inaction in the face of sustained, intransigent inflation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Brad Little, Governor of the State of Idaho, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim that the 66th Idaho Legislature shall convene in an extraordinary session in the legislative chambers of the Idaho State Capitol in Boise City, Ada County, beginning at the hour of 8:00 a.m. on the 1st day of September 2022, for the following enumerated purpose and no other:

To consider the passage and enactment of the attached RS29902C1, which shall (1) provide a one-time tax rebate of no more than \$500 million, (2) establish a corporate and individual flat tax rate no lower than 5.8%, and (3) dedicate no less than \$410 million to public education.

The Idaho Legislature convened by this Proclamation shall have no power to legislate on any other subjects during the extraordinary session.

I HEREBY DIRECT AND REQUIRE that a copy of this Proclamation be delivered to the presiding officers of the Idaho Senate and House of Representatives, to each of the members of the 66th Idaho Legislature, and to the Constitutional Officers of Idaho at the earliest practicable time.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 31st day of August, in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-two, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred forty-seventh, and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred thirty-third.

BRAD LITTLE GOVERNOR

LAWERENCE DENNE SECRETARY OF STATE