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The Honorable Gary R. Herbert
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Governor Herbert:

In recent months, our state has faced some of the most difficult and challenging times in memory. It is clearer than ever that we are part of a global community, and that our health and our economic engine go hand-in-hand! As governor of our great state, I reach out to you for support.

Our workplaces need to be safe for our employees. Our businesses need to have all the tools available to be productive. Safety and productivity can partner for the benefit of our state's financial health.

I am asking for your help in prioritizing, within the Governors Strategic Pandemic Plan, a rapid response mobile unit to be used on job sites. It would be designated for emergency use for businesses.

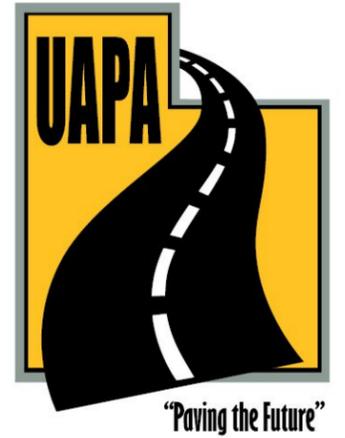
If an employee on a worksite develops symptoms of a possible COVID-19 infection other employees may become hesitant to continuing working. One call will activate the unit. They will test and evaluate employees and determine which workers can continue to work and who, if any, needs to go home. This procedure allows the work to continue by providing additional protection to workers while allowing those who need to be isolated to do so.

I have personally been involved with two sites where companies were faced with the decision to either shut down or send everyone to be tested. This is unacceptable if we are to get our state back to work. Companies need one number to call when faced with a COVID-19 emergency.

Accompanying this letter, you will find the names of organizations representing a broad spectrum of our state's economy who are supporting this effort. Our state cannot run without them, and they need us to step-up more than ever.

I have contacted numerous colleagues and had only positive responses. There is support for this within both chambers of the Legislature and amongst members of your administration. Our businesses and their workers are the backbone for this economy to rebound. Please, join me in making this project happen!


Senator Karen Mayne



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