



ANDY BESHEAR
GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER

Secretary of State
Frankfort
Kentucky

2026-347
June 9, 2026

STATE OF EMERGENCY

On May 5, 2026, I signed Executive Order 2026-235 to declare a State of Emergency and cut the state gas tax by 10 cents (\$0.10) to help Kentucky families facing pain at the pump. High gas prices caused by the war in Iran threaten our families' ability to realize the American Dream. Choosing to help Kentuckians, the gas tax cut started on May 11 with the agreement of the Attorney General, and has brought some relief at the pump.

As part of that Executive Order, I implemented the price gouging statutes to enforce the gas tax reduction so providers do not simply keep the 10 cents per gallon for themselves. I also froze the state gas tax through an emergency administrative regulation filed by the Kentucky Department of Revenue to keep it from automatically increasing on July 1, 2026, which should save Kentuckians about \$1.7 million per month. I also issued Executive Order 2026-236 to freeze any increase in motor vehicle property taxes in 2027.

In addition, I urged leadership of the United States Congress and our Kentucky congressional delegation to support suspending the federal gas tax until the end of the year. On June 8, I sent President Donald J. Trump a letter stating that I agree with his proposal that Congress suspend the federal gas tax, despite Republican members of our legislature disagreeing with my action cutting and freezing the gas tax.

I took these actions after successfully asking the United States Environmental Protection Agency to remove the reformulated gasoline requirements for Jefferson County, a portion of Oldham County and a portion of Bullitt County, to relieve Kentuckians in those counties from the additional 10 to 35 cents per gallon at the pump. The federal government's reformulated gas requirements, in place for more than 30 years, ended on May 27, 2026, and will save drivers in those counties about \$137 million a year.

The pain at the pump continues to hurt Kentucky families with high gas prices throughout the Commonwealth. According to the Automobile Association of America ("AAA"), as of June 9, 2026, the average price of gas in Kentucky was \$3.74 per gallon, up from \$2.80 the year before. The average price for Kentucky reached as high as \$4.98 per gallon in April. The AAA national average gas price was \$4.16 per gallon on June 9, 2026 – up from \$2.98 per gallon before the war in Iran began.

Rising fuel costs are driving price increases on food, consumer goods, and other services that travel over our roads and highways to make it to grocery stores and eventually our kitchen tables.

Under KRS 39A.090(2)(b), the state of emergency declared under Executive Order 2026-235 may exceed 30 days if requested by a chief executive officer or a legislative body of a local government only for that local government and only for the period of time requested by the chief executive officer or legislative body. Six County Judge/Executives, one Mayor of a consolidated local government, and 33 City Mayors have written letters requesting that I extend the State of Emergency under Executive Order 2026-235, including the price gouging protections as extended in Executive Order 2026-314, through June 30, 2026. These letters are attached to this Executive Order and are adopted and incorporated



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by reference herein. Six Mayors of cities located within Jefferson County that will be covered by the extension for all of Jefferson County are not included in the below list.

Although I would have preferred extending the State of Emergency statewide, under the law that would have required extension requests from all County Judge/Executives or county legislative bodies. Residents of counties where County Judge/Executives chose not to request an extension should expect their gas prices to increase by 10 cents (\$0.10) per gallon beginning on June 11.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Andy Beshear, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution of Kentucky and KRS Chapters 39A and 367, do hereby declare that a State of Emergency relating to gas prices continues to exist in the Commonwealth of Kentucky and do hereby ORDER and DIRECT that Executive Order 2026-235, including implementation of the price gouging statutes as extended by Executive Order 2026-314, be extended through June 30, 2026 in the following local jurisdictions:

City of Alexandria	City of Island	City of West Point
City of Ashland	City of Jenkins	City of Whitesville
City of Campton	City of London	City of Winchester
City of Carrsville	City of McHenry	Louisville Jefferson
City of Clay City	City of Oak Grove	County Metro
City of Covington	City of Owensboro	Government
City of Drakesboro	City of Owingsville	Carter County
City of Earlington	City of Paintsville	Graves County
City of Eminence	City of Park City	Magoffin County
City of Falmouth	City of Sebree	Morgan County
City of Gamaliel	City of Smithfield	Wolfe County
City of Glencoe	City of Smiths Grove	

This order shall be effective June 11, 2026.


ANDY BESHEAR, Governor
Commonwealth of Kentucky

MICHAEL G. ADAMS
Secretary of State



June 5th, 2026

Mr. Travis Mayo
Office of the Governor
700 Capitol Avenue
Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

RE: Request to Extend State of Emergency Related to Fuel Prices

Dear Mr. Mayo,

On behalf of the City of Alexandria and pursuant to KRS 39A.090(2)(b), I respectfully request Governor Beshear to extend Executive Order 2026-235 and its state of emergency declared in the order.

While fuel prices remain volatile, this temporary relief has provided meaningful assistance to Alexandria families, commuters, and local businesses. Extending the reduction would continue to ease financial pressure at a time when many Kentuckians are traveling, supporting local tourism, and managing increased seasonal transportation costs.

We appreciate the Governor's proactive efforts to provide relief to citizens while also protecting consumers through the state's price gouging in Executive Order 2026-314. We also recognize the administration's commitment to supporting local governments through additional General Fund revenue sharing.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Andy Schabell
Mayor, City of Alexandria



Office of the Mayor & City Commissioners

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Marty Gute
Tim Renfroe

May 28, 2026

Governor Andy Beshear
501 High Street, 2nd Floor
Frankfort, KY 40601

Dear Governor Beshear:

Pursuant to KRS 39A.090(2)(b), I, as Mayor, along with the City of Ashland Board of Commissioners, respectfully request that you extend Executive Order 2026-235 and the state of emergency declared therein. We also request the continuation of Paragraph 2 of Executive Order 2026-235, as extended by Executive Order 2026-314, through June 30, 2026.

The extension of these executive orders remains critically important to Kentuckians as families, businesses, and local governments continue to experience financial strain from elevated fuel prices. Continuing these measures will provide much-needed relief and flexibility during a time when many citizens are still feeling pain at the pump and increased transportation-related costs.

We appreciate your continued leadership and commitment to supporting communities across the Commonwealth during these ongoing economic challenges. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chuck D. Charles".

Chuck D. Charles, Mayor
City of Ashland, Kentucky

Dear Governor Beshear:

Pursuant to KRS 39A.090(2)(b), I request that you extend Executive Order 2026-235 and the state of emergency declared in that executive order. I also request that you extend paragraph 2. of Executive Order 2026-235, as extended by Executive Order 2026-314, through June 30, 2026.

The extension of these executive orders is crucial to Kentuckians as they continue to feel pain at the pump with higher gas prices.

Katherine May
Mayor, City of Compton

Dear Governor Beshear:

Pursuant to KRS 39A.090(2)(b), I request that you extend Executive Order 2026-235 and the state of emergency declared in that executive order. I also request that you extend paragraph 2. of Executive Order 2026-235, as extended by Executive Order 2026-314, through June 30, 2026.

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Deana j Gerding

Deana Gerding, Mayor
Carrsville , Ky

City of Clay City

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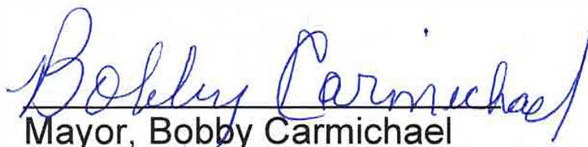
TDD # 711 or 1-200-648-6056

June 4, 2026

Dear Governor Beshear:

Pursuant to KRS 39A.090(2)(b), I request that you extend Executive Order 2026-235 and the state of emergency declared in that executive order. I also request that you extend paragraph 2. of Executive Order 2026-235, as extended by Executive Order 2026-314, through June 30, 2026.

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Mayor, Bobby Carmichael
City of Clay City



May 28, 2026

The Honorable Andy Beshear
Governor of Kentucky
700 Capital Avenue, Suite 100
Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

Dear Governor Beshear:

On behalf of the residents of the City of Covington, I respectfully request that the Commonwealth extend the current state of emergency related to the reduction of the state tax on gasoline and other motor fuels.

Families throughout Covington and Northern Kentucky continue to experience significant economic pressure due to persistently high fuel prices. With the national average gas price remaining above \$4.00 per gallon, and Kentucky's statewide average similarly elevated, many working families are struggling to absorb the increased costs.

While the City fully recognizes and appreciates the importance of motor fuel tax revenues in supporting critical roadway maintenance throughout the Commonwealth, we believe that temporary relief from these taxes remains in the interest of the greater public during this period of sustained economic strain.

The residents of Covington include working-class families, senior citizens on fixed incomes, small business owners, and employees who rely heavily on personal vehicles to travel throughout our region. Continued temporary relief would provide meaningful assistance to Kentuckians at a time when inflationary pressures continue to impact household budgets across the Commonwealth.

We appreciate your consideration of this request to extend the emergency measures associated with the reduction of the state tax on gasoline and other motor fuels until fuel prices stabilize at a more sustainable level.

Thank you for your continued leadership and consideration of this request. Please do not hesitate to contact my office if we may provide any additional information or assistance.

Sincerely,


Mayor Ron Washington
City of Covington



CITY OF DRAKESBORO

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Dear Governor Beshear:

Pursuant to KRS 39A.090(2)(b), I request that you extend Executive Order 2026-235 and the state of emergency declared in that executive order. I also request that you extend paragraph 2. of Executive Order 2026-235, as extended by Executive Order 2026-314, through June 30, 2026.

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X *Eddie Brake*

Eddie Brake
Mayor, City of Drakesboro

CITY OF
Earlington

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Albert I. Jackson
MAYOR

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or the Kentucky Relay Service at 7-1-1

Dear Governor Beshear:

Pursuant to KRS 39A.090(2)(b), I request that you extend Executive Order 2026-235 and the state of emergency declared in that executive order. I also request that you extend paragraph 2. of Executive Order 2026-235, as extended by Executive Order 2026-314, through June 30, 2026.

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Mayor Albert Jackson

6-5-26

Date

ROBIN L. MULLINS
CITY CLERK / TREASURER

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DIRECTOR

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FRED DOWNEY
MAYOR

SCOTT WILCOXSON
POLICE CHIEF

STEVE LUCAS
FIRE CHIEF

June 2, 2026

Governor Andy Beshear
Commonwealth of Kentucky
700 Capital Ave, Room 142
Frankfort, KY 40601

Dear Governor Beshear:

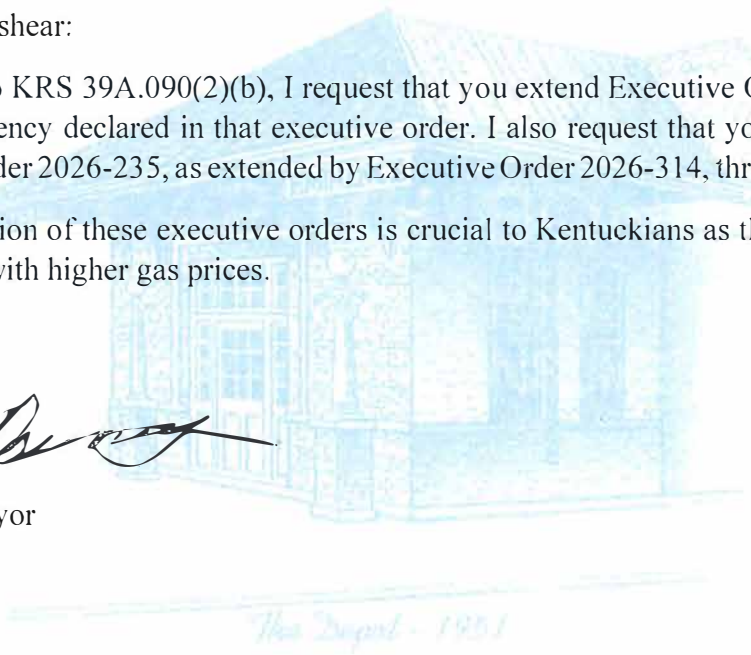
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Sincerely,



Fred Downey, Mayor
City of Eminence





CITY OF FALMOUTH

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Mayor Sabrina Hazen:

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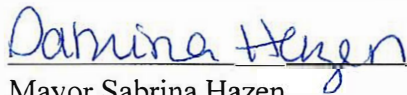
Council Members

Joyce Carson
Amanda Moore
Anthony Cox
Craig Owen
Stephen Gales Jr.
Steve Jenkins

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Mayor Sabrina Hazen

CITY OF GAMALIEL
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GAMALIEL, KY 42140
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Dear Governor Beshear:

Pursuant to KRS 39A.090(2)(b), I request that you extend Executive Order 2026-235 and the state of emergency declared in that executive order. I also request that you extend paragraph 2. of Executive Order 2026-235, as extended by Executive Order 2026-314, through June 30, 2026.

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Mayor

Dear Governor Beshear

Pursuant to KRS 39A.090(2)(b) I Request THAT you
Extend Executive order 2026-235 AND THE STATE
OF emergency Declared in THAT Executive order.
I ALSO Request THAT you extend Paragraph 2.
OF Executive order 2026-235 AS extended By
executive order 2026-314, Through June 30, 2026

THE EXTENSION OF THESE executive orders ARE
CRUCIAL TO KENTUCKIANS AS THEY CONTINUE TO
FEEL PAIN AT THE PUMPS WITH HIGHER GAS PRICES

Sincerely
Mark P. Wilson
Mayor
City of Glencoe Ky

CITY OF ISLAND

KENTUCKY

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ISLAND, KY 42350
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CITY OF ISLAND AND WATER DEPARTMENT

June 2, 2026

Office of the Governor
700 Capitol Avenue, Suite 100
Frankfort, KY 40601

Subject: Urgent Action Needed on Rising Gas Prices in Kentucky

Dear Governor Beshear:

Pursuant to KRS 39A.090(2)(b), I respectfully and urgently request the extension of Executive Order 2026-235 and the state of emergency declared therein. I further request that paragraph 2 of Executive Order 2026-235, as extended by Executive Order 2026-314, be continued through June 30, 2026.

Immediate action is essential. Kentuckians continue to face significant financial strain from elevated fuel prices, and the protections afforded by these executive orders remain critical to mitigating that burden.

Thank you for your time, leadership, and dedication to the residents of Kentucky. I hope you will take swift action to ease this financial strain on working families.

Respectfully,



Mayor, Joseph Hamilton
280 Adams Avenue,
Island, KY 42350
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Mayor Todd DePriest

City Council Members

Chuck Anderson
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Dear Governor Beshear:

Pursuant to KRS 39A.090(2)(b), I request that you extend Executive Order 2026-235 and the state of emergency declared in that executive order. I also request that you extend paragraph 2. of Executive Order 2026-235, as extended by Executive Order 2026-314, through June 30, 2026.

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Todd DePriest, Mayor

City of Jenkins



CITY OF LONDON

MAYOR RANDALL WEDDLE

501 SOUTH MAIN STREET
LONDON, KENTUCKY
606.864.4169

June 2, 2026

Dear Governor Beshear:

Pursuant to KRS 39A.090(2)(b), I request that you extend Executive Order 2026-235 and the state of emergency declared in that executive order. I also request that you extend paragraph 2 of Executive Order 2026-235, as extended by Executive Order 2026-314, through June 30, 2026.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Randall Weddle', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mayor Randall Weddle

City of London, Kentucky

City of McHenry, KY

PO Box 47

McHenry, KY 42354

Misty Riger, Mayor

Mary Ruby, Commissioner

Paula Bishop, Commissioner

Stephanie Chinn, Commissioner

Tina Flener, Commissioner

05-28-2026

Dear Governor Beshear:

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Thank You,

Misty Riger, Mayor

City of McHenry

270-256-1539

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jacqueline Oliver". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "O".

Jacqueline Oliver

Mayor

Oak Grove, Kentucky



CITY OF
Owensboro

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June 2, 2026

Dear Governor Beshear:

Pursuant to KRS 39A.090(2)(b), I request that you extend Executive Order 2026-235 and the state of emergency declared in that executive order. I also request that you extend paragraph 2. of Executive Order 2026-235, as extended by Executive Order 2026-314, through June 30, 2026.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Thomas H. Watson".

Thomas H. Watson

Mayor, City of Owensboro



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Gary M. Hunt, Mayor
Melissa Berry, City Clerk Angela Barnes, Utilities Clerk

Dear Governor Beshear:

Pursuant to KRS 39A.090(2)(b), I request that you extend Executive Order 2026-235 and the state of emergency declared in that executive order. I also request that you extend paragraph 2. of Executive Order 2026-235, as extended by Executive Order 2026-314, through June 30, 2026.

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Mayor Gary Hunt

City of Owingsville, KY

CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Jackie Anderson - Steve Bashford - Angie Buckler - Steve Butcher - Karen Ratliff - Rhonda Hatton

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City of Paintsville

Dear Governor Beshear:

Pursuant to KRS 39A.090(2)(b), I request that you extend Executive Order 2026-235 and the state of emergency declared in that executive order. I also request that you extend paragraph 2 of Executive Order 2026-235, as extended by Executive Order 2026-314, through June 30, 2026.

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Thank you,



Bill M. Runyon, Mayor

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Donna Scavo

Mayor at Park City, Kentucky

June 5th, 2026

Dear Governor Beshear,

I am writing to express my strong support for the continuation of Kentucky's emergency measures aimed at lowering gas prices for families, workers, seniors, and small businesses across the Commonwealth. With fuel costs remaining high, these temporary actions provide meaningful relief to Kentuckians who rely on their vehicles every day to get to work, attend medical appointments, transport children, and meet basic household needs.

Your emergency actions to freeze the scheduled gas-tax increase and temporarily reduce the motor fuels tax by 10 cents per gallon have provided meaningful relief to Kentucky families. Those steps, along with price-gouging protections, have helped protect consumers and ease some of the burden caused by high fuel costs. As long as gas prices remain elevated, continuing these measures would give working families, seniors, and small businesses much-needed stability.

I respectfully urge you to continue these emergency measures for as long as fuel prices remain high and to keep using the authority available to your office to protect Kentuckians from unfair pricing practices. Even a modest reduction at the pump can make a real difference for households already struggling with the cost of groceries, housing, transportation, and healthcare.

Thank you for your leadership and consideration.

Sincerely,


Billy Smith

City of Sebree, Kentucky

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Greg Gephart, Mayor
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June 8, 2026

S. Travis Mayo
General Counsel
Office of the Governor
501 High Street
Frankfort, KY 40601

Dear Mr. Mayo

Pursuant to KRS 39A.090(2)(b), I request that you extend Executive Order 2026-235 and the state of emergency declared in that Executive Order. I also request that you extend Paragraph 2 of Executive Order 2026-235, as extended by Executive Order 2026-314 through June 30, 2026.

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Sincerely,

CITY OF SMITHFIELD

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Greg Gephart".

Mayor

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Thank You for
Your Consideration
Sincerely,
David L. Steffy,
City of Smiths Grove, Ky.
Mayor
June 2, 2026



City of West Point

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Mayor Richard A. Ciresi

05-29-26

Dear Governor Beshear:

Pursuant to KRS 39A.090(2)(b), I request that you extend Executive Order 2026-235 and the state of emergency declared in that executive order. I also request that you paragraph 2. of Executive Order 2026-235, as extended by Executive Order 2026-314, through June 30, 2026.

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Sincerely,

Richard A. Ciresi

Mayor



City of Whitesville

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May 29, 2026

Dear Governor Beshear:

Pursuant to KRS 39A.090(2)(b), I request that you extend Executive Order 2026-235 and the state of emergency declared in that executive order. I also request that you extend paragraph 2. of Executive Order 2026-235, as extended by Executive Order 2026-314, through June 30, 2026.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Patsy Mayfield'.

Mayor Patsy Mayfield
City of Whitesville



P. O. Box 40, 32 Wall Street, Winchester, KY 40391

Office of the Mayor

May 18, 2026

The Honorable Andy Beshear
ATTN: Travis Mayo
Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
700 Capitol Avenue, Suite 100
Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

Dear Governor Beshear:

I am writing on behalf of the citizens of Winchester and Clark County to respectfully request an extension of the current State of Emergency declaration that freezes the state gas tax and temporarily reduces it by ten cents per gallon and prevents the scheduled fuel tax increase set to take effect on July 1st. I am requesting that this freeze be extended an additional 60 days.


While we appreciate your leadership in taking swift action to provide relief to Kentucky families during a time of continued economic uncertainty, many residents in our community continue to experience significant financial strain due to rising costs associated with fuel, groceries, housing, and everyday necessities. Extending this emergency order would provide much-needed continued relief for working families, seniors, commuters, and small businesses throughout Clark County and across the Commonwealth.

Winchester and Clark County serve as a regional hub for employment, healthcare, education, and commerce, requiring many residents to travel daily for work and essential services. Any increase in fuel costs would place an additional burden on households already working hard to manage increasing expenses. Maintaining the current gas tax freeze for a longer period would help stabilize transportation costs and support local economic activity during this challenging time.

We are grateful for your continued commitment to the people of Kentucky and your willingness to respond proactively to the needs of our communities. I respectfully ask that you consider extending the State of Emergency declaration and the temporary freeze on the gas tax increase in order to continue supporting Kentucky families and local economies.

Thank you for your service to the Commonwealth and for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,


JoEllen Reed
Mayor



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CRAIG GREENBERG

June 8, 2026

Governor Andy Beshear
700 Capitol Avenue, Suite 100
Frankfort, KY 40601

Dear Governor Beshear:

Pursuant to KRS 39A.090(2)(b), I respectfully request that you extend Executive Order 2026-235 and the state of emergency declared therein. I also request that you extend Paragraph 2 of Executive Order 2026-235, as extended by Executive Order 2026-314, through July 31, 2026.

This extension for the next two months remains important as Louisville residents continue to face high transportation and fuel costs. The ongoing I-65 shutdown through the core of our city has increased commute times, fuel consumption, and operating expenses for residents and businesses alike. As motorists spend more time on congested alternate routes, even modest increases in gas prices have a greater impact on household budgets and economic activity.

While our successful efforts to end reformulated gasoline (RFG) requirements in Jefferson County are providing savings for drivers, recent projections suggest gas prices could increase significantly over the next two months. Extending the emergency order will help ensure that Louisville residents continue to receive relief during this period of heightened transportation costs and uncertainty.

I recognize there are trade-offs associated with these policies, but at a time when costs remain high and may rise further, I believe every dollar of savings matters to Louisville families and businesses.

Thank you for your consideration.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "C. Greenberg".

Craig Greenberg
Mayor



CARTER COUNTY FISCAL COURT Office of the Judge

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May 28, 2026

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Respectfully,

Brandon L. Burton

Judge Executive



GRAVES COUNTY JUDGE EXECUTIVE

JESSE PERRY

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May 28, 2026

Dear Governor Beshear:

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Sincerely,

Jesse Perry

Graves County Judge Executive

Queenie Averette
Jefferson County Judge Executive
502-262-6717

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Best Regards

Queenie Averette
Jefferson County Judge Executive



Magoffin County Judge/Executive
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June 1, 2026

The Honorable Andy Beshear
Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
700 Capitol Avenue, Suite 100
Frankfort, KY 40601

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Donald W. McFarland
Magoffin County Judge/Executive



Morgan County Fiscal Court



Jim Gazay
Morgan County Judge Executive

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Jim Gazay
Morgan County Judge Executive
Morgan County Fiscal Court

WOLFE COUNTY FISCAL COURT
Raymond Banks, County Judge Executive

Wolfe County Judge/Executive Office
16 Court Street
Campton, KY 41301

May 26, 2026

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Governor of Kentucky
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Frankfort, KY 40601

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The extension of these executive orders remains crucial as Kentuckians continue to experience financial hardship due to increased fuel costs and higher prices at the pump. These rising costs continue to place a significant burden on county government operations, emergency services, transportation expenses, and the citizens of Wolfe County.

An extension would provide continued flexibility and support for local governments as we work to maintain essential services during these ongoing economic challenges.

Thank you for your continued leadership and consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



Raymond Banks
Judge Executive

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