SHERIFF'S SALES AND EVICTIONS

In response to the Proclamation by Governor Reynolds of the State Of Iowa, all sheriff's sales and evictions will be **suspended** until further notice.

WHEREAS, the Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Federal Housing Finance Authority are taking action to temporarily suspend foreclosures and evictions within their jurisdiction; and strict compliance with the regulatory provisions of Iowa Code chapters 646, 654, 655A, and 656 allowing for the commencement and prosecution of foreclosure proceedings under certain circumstances would prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with this disaster in all counties of our state; and reduction of foreclosures will help prevent the transmission of infectious disease and help ensure that cases of COVID-19 are controlled and treated; and

SUSPENSION OF CERTAIN EVICTIONS

SECTION TWO. Pursuant to Iowa Code §§ 29C.6(6) and 135.144(3), and in conjunction with the Iowa Department of Public Health, I temporarily suspend the regulatory provisions of Iowa Code §§ 562A.27, 562B.25, and 648.1(2)–(6), allowing for the termination of a rental agreement by a landlord and the eviction of a tenant under the Iowa Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act or the Manufactured Home Communities or Mobile Home Parks Residential Landlord and Tenant Act in certain circumstances. This suspension does not apply to actions for forcible entry and detainer where the defendant has by force, intimidation, fraud, or stealth entered upon the prior actual possession of another in real property and detains the same, or any other emergency circumstances allowed by law. Suspension of these provisions shall apply during the duration of this Proclamation or any future extension of this suspension.

We appreciate your understanding as we continue to serve the community during this unprecedented time.