June 26, 2020

SENATE EXECUTIVE MESSAGE NO. 3

The Honorable Mary Kay Papen, President Pro Tempore and Members of the New Mexico State Senate State Capitol Building Santa Fe, NM 87501

Dear President Pro Tempore Papen and Members of the Senate:

I am pleased to sign Senate Bill 5 and I applaud its passage. The COVID-19 pandemic has caused, and continues to cause, significant economic disruption in our State. In addition, unanticipated fluctuations in oil and gas prices during recent months have also muddied the economic and budgetary outlook of our State. Given this ongoing financial uncertainty, this legislation provides for a variety of measures that are necessary to ensure the continuing fiscal and budgetary health of the State of New Mexico.

Accordingly, I this day SIGN and RETURN:

SENATE BILL 5, as amended, with emergency clause, which was enacted during the Fifty-Fourth Legislature, First Special Session, 2020, except the following items or items, part or parts, which I hereby veto pursuant to the authority granted me in Article IV, Section 22 of the New Mexico Constitution:

On page 29, I have vetoed lines 12 through 13. The sweep of these funds from the rural infrastructure revolving loan fund will stop much needed water, wastewater, and solid waste projects currently underway.

Respectfully yours,			
Michelle Lujan Grisham Governor			
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