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SUPERIOR COURT

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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF KERN

**IN RE: EXTENSION OF TIME FOR
PRELIMINARY HEARINGS IN
CRIMINAL CASES IN MOJAVE
MULTI-DIVISIONAL COURT**

MISCELLANEOUS NO.: STO-21-0002

THE COURT HEREBY FINDS AND ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:


Due to road closures caused by adverse weather conditions, and under the authority of California Rules of Court, rule 10.603(b)(1)(B) and (G), for all criminal cases currently assigned to the Mojave Multi-Divisional Court the time period provided in section 859b of the Penal Code for the holding of a preliminary examination is extended for an additional five (5) court days, applicable to cases in which the statutory deadline otherwise would expire March 16, 2021, to March 22, 2021, inclusive (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(9).)

The Court exercises its discretion and finds that good cause under Penal Code § 1050 is established for this extension due to the effect of the weather on the ability to bring the litigants to the courthouse. Specifically, the continuances are deemed

1 necessary due to the full road closure of Highway 58 in Tehachapi due to weather.
2 Interstate 5 and Highway 58 were both shut down by the California Highway Patrol
3 due to snowy conditions on the evening of March 15, 2021. Highway 58 was closed
4 about four miles east of the intersection of Edison and Towerline roads to Highway 14.
5 The road closures adversely affected the transportation of inmates to the courthouse.
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7 THIS ORDER IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.
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9 Dated: March 16, 2021.
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13 Colette Humphrey, Presiding Judge
14 Kern County Superior Court
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