

There have been many times in the course of their work that governmental executives have been required to issue states of emergency and to conduct executive powers that limit normal freedoms we have rights to. These have been restrictions on movement in the face of wildfires, floods and other weather-related disasters, power and light use during wars and conflicts from manmade disasters, and restrictions and exclusions during times of unrest. While these have been difficult and created hardships, few sensible people would have doubted the necessity of these extraordinary measures as temporary limitations even if some of them may have lasted years. No different then for the equally extraordinary times we face now against a pandemic that has taken the lives of so many, and taken ill so many, many more. Failing to heed the best-known practices puts lives needlessly at risk for the temporary relieve of some financial gain. This is a short-sighted action that damages both lives and long term executive power and should not be taken.