STATE OF INDIANA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT INDIANAPOLIS

EXECUTIVE ORDER _____25-43

FOR:

PROVIDING TRANSPARENCY FOR STATE GOVERNMENT-AFFILIATED FOUNDATIONS

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETINGS.

- WHEREAS, state government is the servant of the people and, as such, Hoosiers are entitled to full and complete information regarding the conduct of state business and the official acts of those who represent them;
- WHEREAS, pursuant to state law or otherwise, several non-profit foundations and similar organizations have been created to support and further the mission of certain state agencies—these include Healthy Hoosiers Foundation, Indiana Blind Children's Foundation, Indiana Deaf Children Foundation, Indiana Destination Development Foundation, Indiana Economic Development Foundation, Indiana Lewis and Clark Foundation, Indiana State Library Foundation, Indiana State Museum Foundation, and the Indiana War Memorials Foundation;
- WHEREAS, foundations such as those described above that are established as non-profit organizations must file an annual Form 990 with the United States Internal Revenue Service ("IRS"), unless they receive an exemption from doing so;
- WHEREAS, all but one of the foundations described above do so—in November 2012, the Indiana Economic Development Foundation (IEDF) received an exemption from the IRS from filing an annual Form 990 for governmental units and affiliates of government units under Section 6033(a)(3)(B);
- WHEREAS, certain of the foundations described above are required to file annual reports with the state budget committee, but the last report filed by the IEDF with the state budget committee was in January 2019; and
- **WHEREAS**, Hoosier taxpayers deserve better transparency from state government affiliated non-profit foundations;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MIKE BRAUN, by virtue of the authority vested in me as the Governor of the State of Indiana, do hereby order that:

- 1. All state agencies are directed to ensure that any affiliated foundations, corporations, or other entities created to support the agency are complying with mandated reporting requirements in Indiana Code, including the filing of any previously missed reports in the last ten (10) years by no later than December 31, 2025.
- 2. All state agencies are directed to ensure that any non-profit affiliated foundations, corporations, or other entities file an annual Form 990 with the IRS, even if they have been granted an exemption, including the filing of any previously missed reports in the last ten (10) years by no later than December 31, 2025.
- 3. All state agencies are directed to ensure that any required reports or Form 990s for affiliated foundations, corporations, or other entities created to support the agency are clearly posted and accessible on the agency's internet web site by no later than December 31, 2025.
- 4. All state agencies are directed to provide a verification of compliance with this Executive Order to the Governor and the Legislative Council by December 31 of each year.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I,

Mike Braun, have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Indiana on this 8th day of April, 2025.

Mike Braun

Governor of Indiana

ATTEST:

DIEGO MORALES
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Secretary of State