

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE May 14, 2021 Meghin Delaney Communications Director CONTACT: press@gov.nv.gov

Governor Sisolak Encourages Nevada Families to Register for the Emergency Broadband Benefit Program

CARSON CITY, NV – Today, Governor Sisolak joined other state and local officials to encourage eligible Nevada families to take advantage of and register for the Emergency Broadband Benefit program.

Earlier this week, the Federal Communications Commission launched the <u>Emergency Broadband Benefit (EBB) program</u>, designed to help families and households struggling to afford broadband internet service during the COVID-19 pandemic.

"During this pandemic, we have learned just how important broadband connectivity is for work, education, telemedicine, and staying connected to family and friends," **said Governor Sisolak.** "Today, I ask our partners and organizations that provide critical social services, to help Nevada families register for this important Emergency Broadband Benefit program."

The EBB program provides up to a \$50 per month discount for home internet services and a one-time discount of \$100 toward the purchase of a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet. Households may qualify for the program if they participate in a number of different federal programs such as SNAP, Medicaid, or Lifeline, or experienced income or job loss or furlough.

Please view attachments for more information on this initiative.

TWEET: (WITH IMAGE OF PRESS RELEASE)

Today, I ask our partners and organizations that provide critical social services to help Nevada families register for this important Emergency Broadband Benefit program. For more information visit:

https://www.fcc.gov/document/fcc-adopts-report-and-order-emergencybroadband-benefit-program-0