



Governor John C. Carney

January 24, 2019

To the Members of the 150th General Assembly and to all Delawareans:

In compliance with 29 Del. C. Section 6335 (a), I respectfully submit for your consideration the Fiscal Year 2020 Recommended Operating Budget and Bond and Capital Improvements Act for the State of Delaware.

Over the past year and in partnership with the members of the General Assembly, we targeted funding appropriated through the operating and capital budgets toward providing additional resources for high-needs public schools, supporting Delaware's families, and moving our economy forward. The financial plan that I present to you today builds upon the progress we have achieved to date in those areas for the benefit of all Delawareans. This plan also sets aside \$92.1 million dollars over and above our constitutional limitations on appropriations and is within the appropriation benchmark as established in Executive Order Twenty-One.

I thank you for your consideration and I look forward to working with the members of the 150th General Assembly to enact a financial plan that continues to invest in priority areas while remaining fiscally sustainable.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John C. Carney".

John C. Carney
Governor