

# Second Wave of COVID-19 Declared

## Governor extends state of emergency until Jan. 2

(AP) — Gov. Kate Brown has extended Oregon’s declaration of a state of emergency until Jan. 2 as COVID-19 cases in the state continue to rise.

On Monday, The Oregon Health Authority updated the state’s death toll to 701 and total number of cases to 46,460 after 495 new confirmed/presumptive cases were reported.

“Extending the COVID-19 state of emergency is not some-

thing I do lightly, but we know all too well that not taking action would mean an even greater loss of life,” Brown said. “The second wave of COVID-19 has arrived in the United States, and this time it is hitting all of our communities.”

The latest declaration made last week is the legal underpinning for the executive orders the governor has issued, including her orders surrounding reopening Oregon, childcare, schools

and higher education operations. Extending the state of emergency declaration allows those orders to stay in effect.

The governor reviews and re-evaluates each of her emergency orders every 60 days, to determine whether those orders should be continued, modified, or rescinded.

“My goal is to keep Oregon

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