



Statement Regarding California Movement

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(TSS) - The Sovereign Stylist (TSS) understands and empathizes with the beauty professionals of California, affected by Governor Newsom's Executive Order. TSS believes that it is a hard and personal decision to disobey the state government. While TSS cannot support acting in violation of law nor executive powers, it would be irresponsible to not give stylists a possible legal avenue.

Acts of legal protest, petitions, reaching out to state representatives, and regulatory agencies, or attending public hearings are all avenues to confront government actions. TSS encourages professionals to consider the long-term effects of defying executive orders, which may result in the loss of a license, fines, or other legal consequences.

Given the financial situation of many and investment in the mastery of the *haircraft*, The industry would be devastated to see hairstylists removed from the profession they love while pushing for change in a manner that, ultimately, conflicts with the overall goals of the stylists and businesses involved. If a stylist still plans on disobeying government orders, consult with an attorney regarding your options and have one ready - just in case.

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About The Sovereign Stylist

The Sovereign Stylist, the leading organization for legalities and misclassification within the beauty industry, helps stylists receive proper worker classification and tax status from their landlord or employer. Since 2018, prior to incorporation, we have advised 911 individuals, of them: we believe 84% were misclassified and we assisted 15% with reporting their misclassification to the Internal Revenue Service and the United States Department of Labor. Learn more at thesovereignstylist.org.

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