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GPO'S GOVINFO WINS 2020 GOVERNMENT EXPERIENCE AWARD

WASHINGTON – The U.S. Government Publishing Office (GPO) has won a 2020 Government Experience Award for **govinfo**, the one-stop site for authentic information published by the Government. The Government Experience Awards recognizes the achievements and best practices of states, cities, counties, and Federal agencies that are radically improving the experience of Government and pushing the boundaries of how citizen services are delivered. GPO won an award in the Project Experience category.

"GPO is honored to receive a Government Experience Award for **govinfo**, which provides our Nation's citizens with free access to Government information," said GPO Director Hugh Nathanial Halpern. "I am proud of our team for continuing and even increasing the flow of Government information during the coronavirus pandemic. I couldn't be more excited that the Center for Digital Government recognized the tremendous value that my GPO teammates provide through **govinfo**."

Since the beginning of the coronavirus pandemic in March 2020, GPO added 64,630 new documents to **govinfo**, more than a 20 percent increase compared to the same time period last year. The **govinfo** team transitioned to teleworking 100 percent of the time in mid-March and during the COVID-19 pandemic GPO enhanced the system for a better experience for users. Since the pandemic began there have been more than 188 million retrievals from **govinfo**.

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of State as well as the official publications of Congress, the White House, and other Federal agencies in digital and print formats. GPO provides for permanent public access to Federal Government information at no charge through www.govinfo.gov and partnerships with approximately 1,100 libraries nationwide participating in the Federal Depository Library Program. For more information, please visit www.gpo.gov.

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