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DECLARATION OF A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR ROCKLAND COUNTY (COVID-19 Pandemic)

Dated: March 16, 2020

There exists in this County a State of Emergency related to the COVID-19 pandemic. On January 30, 2020 the World Health Organization designated the COVID-19 outbreak as a Public Health Emergency of International Concern, advising that further cases may appear in any country. On January 31, 2020, Health and Human Services Secretary Alex M. Azar II declared a public health emergency for the entire United States to aid the nation's healthcare community in responding to COVID-19, and On February 1, 2020, pursuant to 10 NYCRR § 2.1(a), Dr. Howard A. Zucker, as Commissioner of Health of the State of New York, designated 2019-Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV), now known as Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), as a communicable disease under the State Sanitary Code.

As of today, there are 18 diagnosed cases in Rockland County.

The CDC currently recommends community preparedness and everyday prevention measures be taken by all individuals and families in the United States to increase community resilience and readiness for responding to an outbreak.

In an effort to control the effects of this pandemic in the County and neighboring areas, I hereby choose to exercise the powers vested in me by virtue of New York State Executive Law § 24, and as such,

I hereby declare that a State of Emergency exists in Rockland County. The State of Emergency shall remain in effect for thirty days, through April 15, 2020, and may be extended at that time.

Dated: March 16, 2020

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