State of New York

Executive Chamber

No. 202.73

EXECUTIVE ORDER

Continuing Temporary Suspension and Modification of Laws Relating to the Disaster Emergency

WHEREAS, on March 7, 2020, I issued Executive Order Number 202, declaring a State disaster emergency for the entire State of New York; and

WHEREAS, both travel-related cases and community contact transmission of COVID-19 have been documented in New York State and are expected to continue;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ANDREW M. CUOMO, Governor of the State of New York, to temporarily suspend or modify any statute, local law, ordinance, order, rule, or regulation, or parts thereof, of any agency during a State disaster emergency, if compliance with such statute, local law, ordinance, order, rule, or regulation would prevent, hinder, or delay action necessary to cope with the disaster emergency or if necessary to assist or aid in coping with such disaster, or to provide any directive necessary to respond to the disaster, do hereby suspend or modify the following, and issue the following directives through December 9, 2020:

- The current modifications of law and regulation pursuant to Executive Order 202.30 as modified by 202.40, as extended, that require nursing homes to test staff, is further extended and modified to require that nursing homes located in red, orange, or yellow zones as designated pursuant to Executive Order 202.68 must test or make arrangement for the testing of all personnel, including all employees, contract staff, medical staff, operators and administrators, for COVID-19, as directed by the Commissioner of Health.

GIVEN under my hand and the Privy Seal of the State in the City of Albany this ninth day of November in the year two thousand twenty.

BY THE GOVERNOR

Secretary to the Governor