State of New York

Executive Chamber

No. 202.59

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, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Section 29-a of Article 2-B of the Executive Law 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to assist or aid in coping with such disaster, do hereby continue the suspensions, modifications, and directives, not superseded by a subsequent directive, made by Executive Order 202.36, 202.37, 202.46, 202.47, as extended, and Executive Order 202.54 for another thirty days through September 27, 2020, except the following:

- Any extension of the period for paying property taxes without interest or penalties pursuant to Real Property Tax Law Section 925-a is no longer in effect; and
- The directive permitting telephonic or virtual party nominating conventions which has been superseded by Chapter 142 of the Laws of 2020.

IN ADDITION, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Section 29-a of Article 2-B of the Executive Law to issue any directive during a disaster emergency necessary to cope with the disaster, I do hereby issue the following directive through September 27, 2020:

- The Commissioner of Health shall develop by emergency regulations, comprehensive statewide protocols for the timely testing and reporting of all COVID-19 and Influenza cases to continue to ensure, as flu season approaches, the state has the most accurate data to evaluate the number of positive cases and to best ensure timely contact tracing efforts are implemented in all regions.

GIVEN under my hand and the Privy Seal of the State in the City of Albany this twenty-eighth of August in the year two thousand twenty.

BY THE GOVERNOR

Secretary to the Governor