

TOWN OF TUXEDO, NY, ORANGE COUNTY

DECLARATION OF LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY

A State of Emergency is hereby declared in the Town of Tuxedo, effective as of 6:00am on Monday, March 16th, 2020.

WHEREAS, on March 7, 2020, the Governor of the State of New York declared a State disaster emergency for the entire State of New York in response to the outbreak of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a national emergency in response to the outbreak of COVID-19; and

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

WHEREAS, the Town of Tuxedo is addressing the threat that COVID-19 poses to the health, welfare and safety of its residents and visitors;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Kenneth English, Supervisor of the Town of Tuxedo, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of the State of New York, hereby find, pursuant to Section 24 of Article 2-B of the Executive Law, that a disaster is impending in the Town of Tuxedo and I do hereby declare a disaster emergency for the entire Town of Tuxedo.

FURTHER, pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 24(g) 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, I hereby temporarily suspend or modify the following:

1. Town of Tuxedo's Procurement Policies and any associated Local Laws to allow the undersigned or his designee to expand Town funds and resources in the best interest of the Town in connection with the current health disaster.

Said suspension(s) shall run from the date of this Order through Friday, March 20th, subject to extension by further order. The suspension of the aforesaid policies and Local Laws shall be for the minimum deviation from the requirements of same consistent with the disaster action deemed necessary.

IN ADDITION, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Section 25(1) of Article 2-B of the Executive Law, which states that "[u]pon the threat or occurrence of a disaster, the chief executive of any political subdivision is hereby authorized and empowered to and shall use any and all facilities, equipment, supplies, personnel and other resources of his political subdivision in such manner as may be necessary or appropriate to cope with the disaster or any emergency resulting therefrom," and in accordance with any applicable provisions in any of the collective bargaining agreements now in effect between the Town of Tuxedo and its representative employee organizations, I hereby direct all

Town Department Heads to arrange, modify, or limit the work schedules of their respective departments in such a manner as may be necessary to minimize the risks to Town employees associated with the current COVID-19 outbreak, in accordance with recommendations issued by all relevant medical professionals and/or government agencies.

As Chief Executive of the Town of Tuxedo, I, Kenneth English, exercise the authority vested to me under Section 24 of the New York State Executive Law, to preserve the public safety and hereby render all required and available assistance vital to the security, well-being, and health of the citizens of the Town. I hereby direct all departments and agencies of the Town of Tuxedo to take whatever steps necessary to protect life and property, public infrastructure and provide such emergency assistance as deemed necessary.

SO ORDERED ON MARCH 16th, 2020

Kenneth English
Town Supervisor

A signed copy is on file at Town Hall