



THE CITY OF NEW YORK
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10007

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 87

November 22, 2021

MAYOR'S OFFICE OF HOUSING RECOVERY OPERATIONS

WHEREAS, Executive Order 175, dated November 13, 2012, as amended by Executive Order 459, dated December 20, 2013, established a Mayor's Office of Housing Recovery Operations ("the Office" or "HRO") to implement recovery programs in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy; and

WHEREAS, HRO has accumulated significant experience and operational expertise in addressing short- and long-term housing-related disaster recovery solutions; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Ida struck the City on September 1, 2021, causing significant property damage and greater loss of life than Hurricane Sandy; and

WHEREAS, the realities of climate change mean such storm events will only become more frequent; and

WHEREAS, HRO has provided support and assistance to other City offices and agencies in responding to both Hurricane Ida and the challenges related to home isolation in the COVID-19 pandemic;

NOW, THEREFORE, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of New York, it is hereby ordered:

Section 1. The Mayor's Office of Housing Recovery Operations is continued as an office within the Office of the Mayor, headed by a Director of Housing Recovery Operations. The Director will report to the Deputy Mayor for Housing and Economic Development.

§ 2. The Office shall coordinate or assist in the coordination of City operations related to housing issues for City residents impacted by major disasters, including but not limited to those related to extreme weather or disease. The Office's responsibilities shall include but not be limited to the following:

- a. Assessing the need and demand for temporary and permanent housing in the aftermath of major disasters;
- b. Developing strategies and solutions for addressing such needs, including, where necessary, infrastructure, repair, and purchase of damaged properties; and
- c. Coordinating with relevant local, state, and federal partners as needed.

§ 3. City agencies shall cooperate with the Office to ensure appropriate implementation of this order, including but not limited to providing staffing and administrative support, as directed by the Deputy Mayor for Housing and Economic Development.

§ 4. Executive Order 175, dated November 13, 2012 and Executive Order 459, dated December 20, 2013 are hereby revoked in their entirety.

§ 5. This Order shall take effect immediately.



Bill de Blasio,
MAYOR