



THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
NEW YORK, NY 10007

## EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 179

### DECLARATION EXTENDING LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY

February 1, 2021

#### EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER

WHEREAS, on March 7, 2020, New York State Governor Andrew Cuomo declared a State disaster emergency for the entire State of New York to address the threat that COVID-19 poses to the health and welfare of New York residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, Emergency Executive Order No. 98, issued March 12, 2020 and extended most recently by Emergency Executive Order No. 172, issued January 2, 2021, contains a declaration of a state of emergency in the City of New York due to the threat posed by COVID-19 to the health and welfare of City residents, and such declaration remains in effect; and

WHEREAS, this Order is given because of the propensity of the virus to spread person-to-person and also because the actions taken to prevent such spread have led to property loss and damage; and

WHEREAS, measures taken to combat the spread of COVID-19 may prevent individuals, businesses and other entities from meeting legally imposed deadlines for the filing of certain documents or for the completion of other required actions; and

WHEREAS, this Order is given in order to ensure that the Governor's orders are enforced;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the powers vested in me by the laws of the State of New York and the City of New York, including but not limited to the New York Executive Law, the New York City Charter and the Administrative Code of the City of New York, and the common law authority to protect the public in the event of an emergency:

Section 1. I hereby direct that the State of Emergency declared in Emergency Executive Order No. 98, dated March 12, 2020, and extended by subsequent orders, is extended for thirty (30) days.

§ 2. I hereby direct that sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of Emergency Executive Order No. 177, dated January 27, 2021, are extended for five (5) days.

§ 3. I hereby amend Emergency Executive Order No. 177 to add a new section 4-a to read as follows:

§ 4-a. I hereby suspend RCNY Title 48, Chapter 6, Section 6-10, relating to remote adjudications, to the extent necessary to enable OATH to require remote hearings, trials and related procedures, provided that a party may request an in-person appearance where, subject to the approval of the Chief Administrative Law Judge, circumstances would make a remote hearing, trial or procedure impracticable.

§ 4. This Order incorporates any and all relevant provisions of Governor Executive Order No. 202 and subsequent orders issued by the Governor of New York State to address the State of Emergency declared in that Order pursuant to his powers under section 29-a of the Executive Law.

§ 5. I hereby direct the Fire Department of the City of New York, the New York City Police Department, the Department of Buildings, the Sheriff, and other agencies as needed to immediately enforce the directives set forth in this Order in accordance with their lawful enforcement authorities, including but not limited to Administrative Code sections 15-227(a), 28-105.10.1, and 28-201.1, and section 107.6 of the New York City Fire Code. Violations of the directives set forth in this Order may be issued as if they were violations under the New York City Health Code, title 24 Rules of the City of New York sections 3.07 and 3.11, and may be enforced as such by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene or any other agency named in this section.

§ 6. This Emergency Executive Order shall take effect immediately. The State of Emergency shall remain in effect for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days or until rescinded, whichever occurs first. Additional declarations to extend the State of Emergency for additional periods not to exceed thirty (30) days shall be issued if needed. The remainder of this Order shall remain in effect for five (5) days unless it is terminated or modified at an earlier date.



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Bill de Blasio,  
MAYOR