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Statement of Substantial Need For Earlier Implementation

I hereby find, pursuant to Section 1043(e)(I)(c) of the New York City Charter, that there is a substantial need for the implementation, immediately upon its final publication in the *City Record*, of a rule to conform §§1-08 and 1-09 of chapter 1 of Title 16 of the Rules of the City of New York, to Local Law No. 50 for the Year 2003 ("Local Law 50"). Local Law No. 50 of 2003 suspended the collection of glass as a designated recyclable material through March 31, 2004.

The earlier implementation of such rule is necessary because §§1-08 and 1-09 presently require residents, and institutions receiving Department collection service, to source separate only plastic, metal and paper from their regular garbage. Pursuant to Local Law 50, the suspension of the collection of glass as a designated recyclable material expired on March 31, 2004. As a result, residents and institutions must now source separate glass from their regular garbage for recycling. This change will facilitate and enhance the Department's recycling program. Immediate implementation of the rule will ensure consistency between the Department's rules relating to the collection and removal of recyclable materials pursuant to §§16-304 and 16-305 of the New York City Administrative Code and Local Law 50 signed into law by the Mayor on July 16, 2003, and eliminate confusion among residents and institutions regarding their recycling responsibilities.

John J. Doherty, Commissioner

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Approved:

Michael Bloomberg

Mayor

Date: