LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION

A State of Emergency is hereby declared in **The Town of Thompson**, Sullivan County, New York, effective on the date and time noted below for the entire Town of Thompson.

This State of Emergency has been declared due to the Corona Virus (Covid-19) Pandemic. This situation threatens the public safety. This State of Emergency will remain in effect for 30 days or until rescinded by a subsequent order, whichever comes first. This declaration may be extended by the Supervisor for an additional 30 days.

As the Chief Executive of **The Town of Thompson** I, William J. Rieber, Jr., exercise the authority given 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 this Municipality. I hereby direct all departments and agencies of **The Town of Thompson** take whatever steps necessary to protect life and property, public infrastructure, and provide such emergency assistance deemed necessary.

It is hereby ordered:

- 1. The Town of Thompson Town hall located at 4052 Route 42, Monticello, NY 12701 shall be closed to public access for general business. Provisions will be made to communicate with the public via phone, email or fax.
- 2. All meetings of the Town Planning Board and Zoning Board are postponed until rescheduled by the Town Board. Any and all public hearings previously scheduled and/or noticed will be held on the re-scheduled date. Official notice of said re-scheduled date shall be on the Town of Thompson's homepage which can be found at www.townofthompson.com and /or in the Sullivan County Democrat Legal Notices.
- 3. Town Board meetings will occur as scheduled. Public access will be restricted pursuant to law due to gathering limits imposed by Gov. Cuomo's Executive orders. Every effort will be made to stream meetings live on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/TownofThompson/. Minutes will be available on the Town website and comments and concerns may be sent in writing via email to supervisor@townofthompson.com
- 4. There will be no new bookings for events at the Town Park. Access to the grounds will not be restricted at this time, however mass gatherings of more than 50 persons are prohibited and all buildings including bathrooms are closed.
- 5. Town Summer Camp-The earliest date for registration will be April 29th. This may be cancelled. Check the Town's website for confirmation and updates.
- Court proceedings will follow the NYS Office of Court Administration guidance.
 Current proceedings will be adjourned. Please call the office to arrange for payments of fees, fines, etc.
- 7. The Supervisor shall implement a plan to have employees work from remote locations, including their homes and shall be authorized to expend funds necessary to accomplish

- this task, including, but not limited to purchase of computers and licensing remote access without regard to procurement guidelines.
- 8. In accordance with NYS Executive guidance the Supervisor will make every effort to reduce non-essential employee presence in the workplace by at least 50%. Any employee affected shall not be charged accruals for time during this period which shall end on 3/31/2020. Employees called in during regular shifts shall not accrue overtime. Employees may be required to perform functions outside of their normal job descriptions and for different departments.
- 9. Effective March 18, 2020 the Town Highway Department is directed to rotate approximately ½ the crew on and ½ off for 14 days. The Highway Superintendent shall have the right to call workers in at any time there is an essential service to be performed such as snow and ice control or any other emergency requiring their presence.
- 10. Effective March 18, 2020 the Town Sewer and Water Department is directed to establish a schedule that will have three crews and rotate same so that one crew will not report to work while the other two crews are on duty.
- 11. Failure to obey this order is a criminal offense, punishable by law under New York State Executive Law § 24(5)
- 12. Any updates to this order will be published on the Town's website and shall be considered official notice: www.townofthompson.com

William J. Rieber, Jr. Supervisor

Dated

Time

Supervisor of the Town of Thompson

Executed at: Town of Thompson Town Hall, 4052 Route 42, Monticello, NY 12701

Witness:

Marilee J. Calhoun

Town of Thompson Town Clerk