## TOWN OF THOMPSON

## OFFICE OF THE SUPERVISOR

## **EXECUTIVE ORDER**

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of New York declared a Disaster Emergency in the State of New York to protect the health and welfare of its residents on March 7, 2020 as a result of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020 the Town of Thompson declared a State of Emergency due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic which was to remain in effect for thirty (30) days from the date of that Order; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of New York, via Executive Order 202.6, declared "Construction" as an Essential Service and that Order was subsequently modified by Executive Order 202.13 to clarify that only certain construction is considered exempt from the in-person restrictions and that Empire State Development Corp. was authorized to determine which construction projects are essential and thereby exempt from the in-person workforce prohibition contained in Executive Order 202.6; and

WHEREAS, under the guidance for determining whether a business enterprise is subject to a workforce restriction under Paragraph 9 entitled "Construction", essential construction was defined as including "roads, bridges, transit facilities, utilities, hospitals or health care facilities, affordable housing and homeless shelters". It further indicates that all non-essential construction must shut down except emergency construction to protect the health and safety of the occupants, or to continue a project if it would be unsafe to allow to remain unfinished until it is safe to shut the site; and

WHEREAS, said guidance further indicates that "at every site, if essential or emergency nonessential construction, this includes maintaining social distancing...sites that cannot distance and safety best practices must close and enforcement will be provided by the State in coordination with the city/local governments. This will include fines of up to \$10,000.00 per violation."

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, William J. Rieber, Jr., as Chief Executive of the Town of Thompson, 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 the Town of Thompson.

## IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. That effective April 8, 2020, all non-essential construction in the Town of Thompson as defined by the Empire State Development Corp. guidelines must shut down, except for emergency construction to protect the health and safety of the occupants, or to continue a project if it would be unsafe to allow it to remain unfinished, only until it is safe to shut the site.

- 2. That effective April 8, 2020, sites that remain open either because it is deemed essential or emergency non-essential shall maintain proper social distancing.
- 3. That any construction site not maintaining proper social distancing and safety best procedures in the Town of Thompson must close and enforcement of same may include fines of up to \$10,000.00 per violation.

Given Under My Hand and the Seal of the Town of Thompson, New York on this 8th Day of April, 2020.

William J. Rieber, Jr., Supervisor, Town of

Thompson

Executed at: Town of Thompson Town Hall, 4052 Route 421, Monticello, NY 12701

Witness

Mussa DiMpunielo Melissa DeMarmels, Town Comptroller

Dated: 4/8/2020
Time: 12:24 pm