PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, United States Health and Human Services Secretary Alex M. Azar II declared a public health emergency for the entire United States due to the 2019-Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19); and

WHEREAS, on March 2, 2020 and through subsequent renewals, New York State Governor Andrew M. Cuomo declared a Disaster Emergency in the State of New York due to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2020, Clinton County Chairman of the Legislature Mark Henry declared a State of Emergency in the County of Clinton due to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) issued a travel advisory which advises that individuals should refrain from non-essential travel within New York State; and

WHEREAS, the CDC has further advised there is no vaccine to prevent COVID-19 and the best way to prevent the illness is to avoid exposure to the virus by avoiding contact with other individuals, refraining from non-essential travel and adhering to social-distancing guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Director of Public Health, pursuant to Public Health Law Section 324(1)(e), is charged with enforcing Public Health Law and the New York State and Clinton County Sanitary Codes, and as such shall order the suppression and removal of all conditions detrimental to life and health found to exist within the health district (Public Health Law Section 1303(3)); and

NOW THEREFORE, in the interest of protecting the health, safety and welfare of the people of Clinton County and the State of New York, the Clinton County Director of Public Health orders the following to prevent within Clinton County all non-essential travel and unnecessary person to person contact;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, all children's camps, campgrounds, cabin colonies, and seasonal temporary residences (as defined by facilities that operate with a duration less than one (1) calendar year) in Clinton County that require a permit to operate under Part 7 of the New York State Sanitary Code shall be closed effective April 8, 2020, and shall remained closed until May 1, 2020 and such closure may be extended as necessary to minimize public gatherings and the subsequent transmission of COVID-19; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, it shall be prohibited to allow the use of any children's camps, camping cabin, camping units or campsite on any campground, cabin colony or seasonal temporary residence in Clinton County as defined by Part 7 of the New York State Sanitary Code until May 1, 2020; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that violation of this Public Health Order may result in civil penalties or criminal prosecution.

John M. Kanuza, P.E., P.G.
Director of Public Health

Date 4/18/2020