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Declaration of Emergency

Putnam County, New York

A State of Emergency is hereby declared in Putnam County for a period of time beginning at 5:00 p.m. on March 13, 2020. This Declaration will remain in effect through 11:59 p.m. on March 27, 2020.

An outbreak of respiratory illness due to a novel coronavirus (a disease now known as COVID-19) is impacting more than 75 countries, including the United States, and currently there are more than 125,000 confirmed cases globally. Such epidemic conditions threaten or imperil the public health and safety of the citizens of Putnam County, New York. It is imperative to prepare for and respond to suspected or confirmed COVID-19 cases, and to implement measures necessary to mitigate the spread of this communicable disease, in order to maintain the health and safety of the people of Putnam County, and limit the spread of infection in our communities.

As the Chief Executive Officer of the County of Putnam, I, MaryEllen Odell, hereby exercise the authority given to me under New York State Executive Law, Article 2-B, to preserve the public health and safety, and to make available and provide for all required assistance which is vital to the health, security and well-being of the citizens of this Municipality.

I hereby direct the Putnam County Department of Health, the Putnam County Bureau of Emergency Services, and any other department(s) or agency(s) of the County of Putnam as may be necessary, to take whatever steps necessary to protect life and property and public infrastructure, and to provide such emergency assistance as deemed necessary.

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