

**DECLARATION OF THE NEW YORK CITY BOARD OF HEALTH
RELATING TO VIRTUAL MEETINGS**

WHEREAS, on April 9, 2022, New York State Governor Hochul signed Chapter 56 of the Laws of 2022 relating to the New York State budget for the 2022-2023 state fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, included in Chapter 56 is an amendment to the New York Open Meetings Law (set out in Part WW) adding a new Section 103-a that adds new provisions regarding public bodies such as the New York City Board of Health holding remote meetings; and

WHEREAS, a state disaster emergency has been declared by Governor Hochul pursuant to section twenty-eight of the New York Executive Law and most recently extended by Executive Order No. 11.6 and a local state of emergency has been proclaimed by the New York City Mayor Adams pursuant to section twenty four of the Executive Law, most recently extended by Emergency Executive Order No. 107; and

WHEREAS, the New York City Board of Health hereby determines in accordance with New York Open Meetings Law Section 103-a(3), that the circumstances necessitating the emergency declaration would affect or impair the ability of the Board Health to hold in-person meetings;

THEREFORE, New York City Board of Health meetings will be conducted remotely as authorized during a declared state of emergency by either the Governor or the Mayor where the circumstances of the emergency affect or impair the ability of the Board of Health to hold in person meetings.

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