



THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
NEW YORK, N. Y. 10007

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 203

EMERGENCY NUISANCE ABATEMENT THROUGH DEBRIS REMOVAL

December 23, 2012

WHEREAS, Executive Order 186, dated November 27, 2012, contains a proclamation extending a state of emergency in the City of New York, and such proclamation remains in effect for a period not to exceed thirty days or until rescinded, whichever occurs first;

WHEREAS, the President of the United States signed a Major Disaster Declaration under the Stafford Act on October 30, 2012;

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of New York has issued Executive Order No. 63, dated Nov. 5, 2012, entitled Declaring Certain Conditions Caused by Hurricane Sandy in and Around Federally Declared Counties to be Public Nuisances Impacting Public Health and Ordering the Removal of Those Conditions, which included determination that debris poses a persistent threat to the security, life and health of persons in those areas;

WHEREAS, the recent storm caused trees to fall and resulted in large amounts of debris in numerous parts of the City, causing conditions that are a danger to health and safety; and

WHEREAS, the City has established an inter-agency Hurricane Sandy Debris Removal Task Force, which has been working on the removal of downed trees and debris;

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby ordered:


§ 1. The Department of Sanitation, the Task Force, and other relevant City agencies shall

work with relevant state and federal agencies and departments to clear debris and downed trees in affected areas, on both public and private property.

§ 2. City agencies shall enter private residential property as needed to remove debris in accordance with the Governor's order. Where necessary, such agencies shall utilize available procedures under state and local law to gain access.

§ 3. The Commissioner of the Business Integrity Commission is authorized to waive license and registration requirements for the collection, removal or disposal of trade waste where the Commissioner determines it is appropriate to do so to effectuate the purposes of this Order.

§ 4. This order shall take effect immediately.



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Michael R. Bloomberg  
Mayor