

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 152

PROCLAMATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY

August 25, 2011

WHEREAS, the National Weather Service is predicting that a hurricane or tropical storm may hit the City this weekend; and

WHEREAS, the Governor has issued an Declaration of Emergency for the City of New York and contiguous counties;

NOW, THEREFORE:

§ 1. Pursuant to the powers vested in me by the laws of the State of New York and the City of New York, including but not limited to the New York Executive Law, the Charter and Administrative Code of the City of New York, and the common law authority to protect the public in the event of an emergency, I hereby declare a State of Emergency.

§ 2. This State of Emergency has been declared because anticipated weather conditions are likely to cause heavy flooding, power outages, and disruption of public transportation and other vital services, and these conditions imperil the public safety.

§ 3. The Office of Emergency Management, Police Department, Fire Department, Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Health and Hospitals Corporation, Department of Sanitation, Department of Buildings, Department of Environmental Protection, Department of Transportation, New York City Housing Authority, Department of Housing

Preservation and Development, Department of Design and Construction, Department of Homeless Services, Department of Correction, Department of Parks and Recreation, Department of Citywide Administrative Services, Office of Citywide Event Coordination and Management, Office of Labor Relations, School Construction Authority, Department of Education, Department of Information Technology and Telecommunications, and other relevant departments and agencies, are directed, by and through themselves and others as needed, to undertake whatever activities and measures are needed, including revocation of street activity permits, to protect life and property or bring the emergency situation under control.

§ 4. All hospitals, nursing homes and senior homes located in Zone A, as defined by the Office of Emergency Management, shall take all necessary steps to evacuate their facilities beginning at 8 a.m. and ending by 8 p.m. on Friday, August 26, 2011. Facilities that can maintain health and safety of patients and residents housed therein for the duration of the storm and its aftermath may continue to operate without evacuation subject to the approval of the City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, and in consultation with the State Department of Health.

§ 5. Any person who knowingly violates any provision of this Order is guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

§ 6. This Order shall take effect immediately. It shall remain in effect for five (5) days unless it is terminated or modified at an earlier date.

Michael R. Bloomberg  
Mayor