

**EXECUTIVE ORDER**

**Declaring a Disaster Emergency in the State of New York**

**WHEREAS**, New York continues to experience COVID-19 transmission, with the rate of new COVID-19 hospital admissions remaining at over 100 new admissions a day;

**WHEREAS**, the SARS-CoV-2 variant known as Omicron, determined a variant of concern by the World Health Organization and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, is known to be highly-transmissible and to necessitate that persons have additional doses of vaccines for optimal protection;

**WHEREAS**, the state must pursue a coordinated approach to ensure hospital capacity statewide is able to meet regional needs;

**WHEREAS**, the State government must support the municipalities and counties in their efforts to facilitate and administer vaccinations and tests for COVID-19, and to prevent the virus from continuing to spread at such rates;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Kathy Hochul, Governor of the State of New York, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution of the State of New York and the Laws of New York State, do hereby continue the state disaster emergency as set forth in Executive Order 11, and continue the suspensions and modifications of law contained in Executive Orders 11, 11.1, 11.2, and 11.3, through April 15, 2022.



GIVEN under my hand and the Privy Seal of the State

in the City of Albany this sixteenth day of

March in the year two thousand twenty-

two

*Kathy Hochul*

BY THE GOVERNOR

*[Signature]*  
Secretary to the Governor