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THE CITY OF NEW YORK
DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS

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Exits
(1D) Section 52 subdivision 3
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DEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 27, 1968

TO: Borough Superintendents/Executive Staff

FROM: Thomas V. Burke
Director of Operations

SUBJECT: Exits from and stairs within duplex apts. in
Multiple Dwellings.

Section 52 of the Multiple Dwelling Law was amended at the last session of the State Legislature by adding thereto a new sub-division 3. This sub-division exempts stairs within an apartment from the other requirements of Section 52 provided that each level of the apartment is provided with required means of egress complying with the provisions of this article. In view of the signing of this law on June 22, Directive No. 22-1968 is hereby rescinded. The requirements for the enclosure of shafts more than two stories high shall continue to restrict such voluntary stairs to a duplex arrangement only.

The provisions of a memorandum on this subject dated July 25, 1968, shall continue to be enforced. In the application of this memo the interior stair is not independent of the apartment exits. Such interior stairs shall comply with all provisions of Section 52 of the Multiple Dwelling Law.

(Signed)
Thomas V. Burke
Director of Operations