WHEREAS, on March 7, 2020, New York State Governor Andrew Cuomo declared a State disaster emergency for the entire State of New York to address the threat that COVID-19 poses to the health and welfare of New York residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, Emergency Executive Order No. 98, issued March 12, 2020 and extended most recently by Emergency Executive Order No. 179, issued February 1, 2021, contains a declaration of a state of emergency in the City of New York due to the threat posed by COVID-19 to the health and welfare of City residents, and such declaration remains in effect; and

WHEREAS, this Order is given because of the propensity of the virus to spread person-to-person and also because the actions taken to prevent such spread have led to property loss and damage; and

WHEREAS, measures taken to combat the spread of COVID-19 may prevent individuals, businesses and other entities from meeting legally imposed deadlines for the filing of certain documents or for the completion of other required actions; and

WHEREAS, this Order is given in order to ensure that the Governor's orders are enforced;

NOW, THEREFORE, 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 New York City Charter and the Administrative Code of the City of New York, and the common law authority to protect the public in the event of an emergency:

Section 1. I hereby direct that section 1 of Emergency Executive Order No. 182, dated February 16, 2021, is extended for five (5) days.

§ 2. I hereby amend section 7 of Emergency Executive Order 157, as amended by section 6 of Emergency Executive Order No. 172, to allow the Department of Transportation to
grant concessions for the use of pedestrian plazas for outdoor commercial activities, to read as follows:

§ 7. In order to further encourage the use of outdoor space by businesses and customers, I hereby authorize the Department of Transportation to grant concessions for the use of pedestrian plazas for outdoor commercial activities, provided any such concession shall not be subject to renewal and shall have a term of less than 120 days.

a. The Department of Transportation shall issue guidelines governing the procedures for applying for concessions described in this section. Any recipient of such a concession shall comply with the provisions of such guidelines.

b. Notwithstanding New York City Charter sections 373, 374 and 375 and 12 RCNY sections 1-16(d) and 1-17, any concession granted pursuant to this section shall not be subject to review by the Franchise and Concession Review Committee or to registration with the City Comptroller. Such provisions of the Charter and the RCNY are hereby modified or suspended to the extent necessary to effectuate this section.

§ 3. This Order incorporates any and all relevant provisions of Governor Executive Order No. 202 and subsequent orders issued by the Governor of New York State to address the State of Emergency declared in that Order pursuant to his powers under section 29-a of the Executive Law.

§ 4. I hereby direct the Fire Department of the City of New York, the New York City Police Department, the Department of Buildings, the Sheriff, and other agencies as needed to immediately enforce the directives set forth in this Order in accordance with their lawful enforcement authorities, including but not limited to Administrative Code sections 15-227(a), 28-105.10.1, and 28-201.1, and section 107.6 of the New York City Fire Code. Violations of the directives set forth in this Order may be issued as if they were violations under the New York City Health Code, title 24 Rules of the City of New York sections 3.07 and 3.11, and may be enforced as such by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene or any other agency named in this section.

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

Bill de Blasio,
MAYOR