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STATE OF CONNECTICUT BY HIS EXCELLENCY DANNEL P. MALLOY GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 13

WHEREAS, a declaration of civil preparedness emergency was issued by the Governor on October 29, 2011 due to a severe snow storm and unprecedented power outages experienced throughout the state;

WHEREAS, Connecticut General Statutes section 28-9(b) authorizes and empowers the Governor to take such steps as are reasonably necessary in light of such emergency to protect the health, safety and welfare of the people of the state, and to modify and suspend in whole or in part, any statute, regulation or requirement or part thereof, whenever the Governor is of the opinion that it is in conflict with the efficient and expeditious execution of civil preparedness functions or the protection of the public health;

WHEREAS, severe weather conditions and fallen trees have resulted in road closures and continuing widespread power outages in the state, forced numerous town halls to close and limited transportation within the state;

WHEREAS, section 12-41 of the general statutes requires certain individuals and commercial entities to file personal property declarations on or before November 1, 2011;

WHEREAS, section 12-42 of the general statutes requires the filing of any request for an extension of date for filing a personal property tax declaration on or before November 1, 2011;

WHEREAS, with limited exceptions, declarations or extensions not filed by November 1, 2011 are considered delinquent and a penalty is assessed;

WHEREAS, conditions resulting from the storm have prevented individuals and commercial entities from being able to prepare the documentation necessary to file the personal property tax declaration or request an extension;

WHEREAS, conditions resulting from the storm pose a danger to persons who may attempt to travel to town hall to file a personal property tax declaration or a request for extension in person;

WHEREAS, many individuals and commercial entities have been unable to file either the personal property tax declaration or request an extension due to power outages, town hall closures and travel difficulties;

WHEREAS, in light of the emergency conditions that exist it is appropriate to extend the deadline for filing a personal property tax declaration or to request an extension to give individuals and commercial entities the opportunity to properly file their declarations and requests for extensions, even in towns where power may have been restored or had not experienced a power outage prior to November 1, 2011;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dannel P. Malloy, Governor of the State of Connecticut, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT the suspension or modification of the following statutes, regulations or requirements under the following conditions for the reasons stated above:

1. Except as otherwise stated in this Order, Sections 12-41 and 12-42 of the General Statutes are modified to the extent that the deadline for all persons to file their personal property tax declarations or to request an extension of the deadline to file their personal property tax declarations shall be November 15, 2011, *nunc pro tunc*. Sections 12-41 and 12-42 of the General Statutes are further modified to waive any penalty that would otherwise be permitted to be assessed for the failure to file a personal property tax declaration or for the failure to request an extension by November 1, 2011. No such penalty shall apply unless such personal property tax declaration is filed later than November 15, 2011 or for the failure to request an extension by that date.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon filing with office of the Secretary of State and shall be effective for a period of time not to exceed thirty (30) days unless sooner revoked.

Dated at Hartford, Connecticut, this 2nd day of November 2011.

Dannel P. Malloy

Governor

By His Excellency's Order

Denise Merrill

Secretary of the State