## STATE OF CONNECTICUT SECRETARY OF THE STATE BY HIS EXCELLENCY DANNEL P. MALLOY **GOVERNOR**

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**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 25** 

WHEREAS, a declaration of civil preparedness emergency was issued by the Governor on October 27, 2012 due to weather forecasts indicating that all or part of Connecticut will be directly affected by Hurricane Sandy, which is predicted to subject the state to a combined tropical and winter super storm, including torrential rainfall, strong winds, and potential coastal and inland flooding over a prolonged period of time;

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, sections 12-91, 12-107c, 12-107d, 12-107e and 12-81 of the General Statutes require the filing of an application for certain property tax exemptions on or before either October 31, 2012 or November 1, 2012, respectively;

WHEREAS, with limited exceptions, said applications not filed by November 1, 2012 are considered delinquent and are automatically denied;

WHEREAS, conditions resulting from the storm may have prevented individuals from being able to prepare the documentation necessary to file said applications;

WHEREAS, conditions resulting from the storm pose a danger to persons who may attempt to travel to town hall to file said applications;

WHEREAS, in light of the emergency conditions it is appropriate to extend the deadline for filing said applications for exemptions even in towns where power may have been restored or had not experienced a power outage prior to November 1, 2012;

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. Sections 12-81, 12-91, 12-107c, 12-107d and 12-107e of the General Statutes are modified to the extent that the deadline for all persons to file their applications for exemptions shall be November 15, 2012.

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 29<sup>th</sup> day of October 2012.

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Governor

By His Excellency's Order

Denise Merrill Secretary of the State