



## CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

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PAUL M. WENDEL, JR.  
County Executive

### DECLARATION OF A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY -EXTENSION AS OF February 15, 2024- (Sustainable Migration)

I hereby declare, pursuant to Executive Law §24, a State of Emergency to exist in Chautauqua County.

**WHEREAS**, on May 18, 2023, pursuant to the authority vested in me as County Executive of Chautauqua County under Executive Law §24 I declared a State of Emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 18, 2023, I issued Emergency Order No. 1 (Chautauqua County Sustainable Migration Protocol) which has been extended on several occasions; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 20, 2023, I extended the State of Emergency based on consideration of all relevant facts indicating that an emergency continues to exist in Chautauqua County; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 21, 2023, I extended the State of Emergency based on consideration of all relevant facts indicating that an emergency continues to exist in Chautauqua County; and

**WHEREAS**, on August 20, 2023, I extended the State of Emergency based on consideration of all relevant facts indicating that an emergency continues to exist in Chautauqua County; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 18, 2023, I extended the State of Emergency based on consideration of all relevant facts indicating that an emergency continues to exist in Chautauqua County; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 17, 2023, I extended the State of Emergency based on consideration of all relevant facts indicating that an emergency continues to exist in Chautauqua County; and

**WHEREAS**, on November 16, 2023, I extended the State of Emergency based on consideration of all relevant facts indicating that an emergency continues to exist in Chautauqua County; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 15, 2023, I extended the State of Emergency based on consideration of all relevant facts indicating that an emergency continues to exist in Chautauqua County; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 15, 2024, I extended the State of Emergency based on consideration of all relevant facts indicating that an emergency continues to exist in Chautauqua County; and

**WHEREAS**, Chautauqua County remains ready, willing, and able to meet with leaders at all levels to work on humanitarian solutions to address the current immigration and homelessness issues facing the State of New York; and

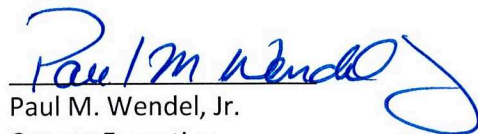
**WHEREAS**, there still exists the potential that New York City may unilaterally move hundreds of individuals to Chautauqua County with no notice; and

**WHEREAS**, Chautauqua County continues to struggle with the natural and organic migration of people into the County, including low income housing shortages and school districts rapidly gaining population, stressing services without the unneeded, unnecessary, and unnatural spike in population New York City's program will cause by the mass transportation of persons to Chautauqua County; **now it is declared that**

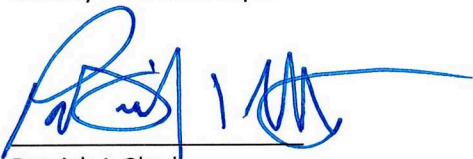
**A State of Emergency continues to exist in Chautauqua County; and**

This local State of Emergency shall be effective as of February 15, 2024, and remain in effect for thirty days, and may be extended at that time.

Dated: February 15, 2024



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