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STATE OF CONNECTICUT BY HIS EXCELLENCY DANNEL P. MALLOY GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 26

WHEREAS, a declaration of civil preparedness emergency was issued by the Governor on October 27, 2012 due to the anticipated effects of Hurricane Sandy;

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, Section 12-142 of the General Statutes permits the legislative bodies of each municipality to determine whether municipal taxes shall be due and payable in a single installment or in two semiannual installments or in four quarterly installments;

WHEREAS, one or more municipalities in the state require that municipal taxes be paid in quarterly installments and in all of these municipalities a quarterly tax payment was due on October 1, 2012;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 12-146, a quarterly tax payment due on October 1, 2012 would begin to accrue interest at a rate of 1.5% per month if not paid by November 1, 2012;

WHEREAS, conditions resulting from the storm may have prevented individuals in these municipalities from being able to make their October 1st quarterly tax payment prior to November 1st;

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to extend the time to make quarterly tax payments in these municipalities to November 15, 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. Section 12-146 of the General Statutes is modified to the extent that in those municipalities where residents were required to make a quarterly property tax payment on October 1, 2012, such municipality shall not be permitted to impose interest on the amount due if the tax payment is received on or before November 15, 2012 and 5:00 p.m.

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.

Dannel P. Malloy Governor

By His Excellency's Order

Denise Merrill Secretary of the State

