Introduced by: Presiding Officer Richard Nicolello, Deputy Presiding Officer Howard Kopel Alt. Deputy Presiding Officer Denise Ford, Minority Lader Kevan Abrahams, and Legislators Gaylor, Muscarella, Kennedy, McKevitt, Schaefer, Ferretti, Walker, Rhoads, Bynoe, Solages, Mule, Birnbaum, DeRiggi-Whitton, Drucker and Lafazan LOCAL LAW NO. 7 -2020

A LOCAL LAW TEMPORARILY EXTENDING CERTAIN DEADLINES RELATING TO THE FILING OF ANNUAL STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE FOR THE 2019 REPORTING YEAR DUE TO THE COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY.

Passed by the Nassau County Legislature on April 20, 2020 Voting: ayes: 19, nayes: 0

Became a law on April 21, 2020 with the approval of the Deputy County Executive acting on behalf of the County Executive

WHEREAS, Nassau County Administrative Code Section 22-4.3 requires certain County officers and employees to file annual statements of financial disclosure with the Nassau County Board of Ethics by May 15 of each year for the prior calendar year; and

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization designated the Coronavirus, COVID-19, outbreak as a Public Health Emergency of International Concern; and

WHEREAS, on March 7, 2020, Governor Andrew Cuomo issued Executive Order No. 202, declaring a State disaster emergency for the entire state of New York due to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, County Executive Laura Curran declared a local state of emergency for the County of Nassau due to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

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WHEREAS, both the Federal government and New York State have extended the tax filing deadline from April 15, 2020 to July 15, 2020 in order to provide tax filers relief from the requirement to file their taxes in the midst of the ongoing COVID-19 public health crisis; and

WHEREAS, in light of those tax filing extensions and the fact that those filings are key to the completion of the annual statements of financial disclosure, an extension of certain deadlines associated with the filing of annual statements of financial disclosure for the 2019 reporting year is warranted,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED, by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau, as follows:

Section 1. Notwithstanding the deadline set forth in Section 22-4.3 of the Nassau County Administrative Code for compiling a list of officers and employees holding policymaking positions and filing that list with the Clerk of the Legislature, such deadline is hereby extended until June 30, 2020 as it relates to the filing of annual statements of financial disclosure for the 2019 reporting year. Additionally, notwithstanding the May 15 deadline set forth in Section 22-4.3 for the filing of annual statements of financial disclosure, such deadline is hereby extended until August 15, 2020 as it relates to the filing of annual statements of financial disclosure for the 2019 reporting year.

§ 2. It is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., that this is a "Type II" Actions within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(20) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. ("routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect

the environment"), and, accordingly, are of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.

§ 3. This local law shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED

County Executive

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