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**LOCAL EMERGENCY ORDER OF THE ONONDAGA COUNTY EXECUTIVE
ISSUED PURSUANT TO PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY
ORDER NO. 21-G ISSUED ON SEPTEMBER 14, 2021
FACE COVERINGS REQUIRED IN ALL ENCLOSED BUILDINGS AT
THE NEW YORK STATE FAIRGROUNDS**

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2020, I, J. Ryan McMahon, II, Onondaga County Executive, by the authority vested in me by the Onondaga County Charter, the Onondaga County Administrative Code, and the laws of the State of New York, declared, pursuant to Section 24 of Article 2-B of the New York State Executive Law, that the public safety was sufficiently imperiled such that a Proclamation of Emergency was declared within the territorial limits of Onondaga County, which Proclamation of Emergency has been extended; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 outbreak caused the Great New York State Fair to be cancelled in 2020; and where the vaccine has helped the State of New York make significant progress to reopen our economy, such that the Great New York State Fair will be held once again from August 20, 2021 through September 6, 2021, at 100% capacity, with COVID-19 pre-cautions; and

WHEREAS, the Great New York State Fair attendance record consists of over 1.3 million attendees; it is necessary to safeguard the public health of our community and maximize protection from COVID-19 by helping to prevent the spread of the virus to others; as a result, pursuant to CDC guidelines, face coverings (mask) should be worn in all indoor public areas; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in accordance with authority vested in me by the Onondaga County Charter and Code, local home rule powers, and New York State Executive Law Section 24, I hereby issue this Local Emergency Order No. 21 and declare that all persons (over age 2), regardless of vaccination status, entering an enclosed (indoor) building located at the New York State Fairgrounds, who are medically able to wear a face covering and who have no religious objections, must wear a facial covering (mask), while inside a building.

As the law requires a Local Emergency Order shall not exceed 5 days, this Order shall remain in effect for 5 days through September 19, 2021, and will be formally renewed by the issuance of successive 5-day Orders.

This order is necessary to safeguard the public health and welfare, and necessary to assist in the disaster effort. This Order is intended to comply with all laws and regulations, state and federal, and shall be read and interpreted in such manner.

Pursuant to New York State Executive Law Section 24(5), any person who knowingly violates an Executive Order and/or this Local Emergency Order, requiring face coverings in all enclosed buildings at the New York State Fairgrounds, shall be guilty of a class B misdemeanor and subject to additional civil action and fines.

By: **COUNTY OF ONONDAGA**

J. Ryan McMahon, II
County Executive