PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY AND LOCAL EMERGENCY ORDER

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to New York Executive Law Article 2-B and Section 24 thereof, and by reason of a public emergency within the territorial limits of ESSEX COUNTY which imperils the public safety; namely extremely dry conditions causing numerous out of control grass and brush fires in Essex County and have impeded the containment thereof, a LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY has been declared in ESSEX COUNTY from 8:00 a.m. on Friday, September 19, 2025, and ending at 7:59 a.m. on Saturday, October 18, 2025, unless rescinded or extended.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that during the period of the state of emergency and in order to protect life and property and to bring the emergency situation under control:

- 1. No person shall intentionally set an open fire throughout Essex County, with the exception of a small camp fire where the camp fires are built in fire rings that confine and contain the camp fire. This order supersedes all burning permits and will extend for five (5) days through September 24, 2025 at 8:00 a.m. unless rescinded or extended.
- All departments and agencies of Essex County shall take whatever steps are
 or may be necessary to protect life, property and public infrastructure, and to provide
 emergency service and to enforce this strict prohibition on the outdoor open burning in
 burning barrels or other similar contrivances.
- 3. All existing outdoor burning permits issued by any municipal or state entity are hereby suspended during the term of this Declaration of Emergency and the outdoor burning pursuant thereto is hereby strictly prohibited.

This proclamation and order signed this 19th day of September, 2025.

James Monty, Vice Chairman Essex County Board of Supervisors