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A Local Law in relation to guidelines for cleaning and disinfecting multiple dwellings

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Definitions. For purposes of this local law, the following terms have the following meanings:

COVID-19. The term “COVID-19” means the 2019 novel coronavirus or 2019-nCoV.

High-touch surface. The term “high-touch surface” means a surface or object that is likely to be frequently touched, including, without limitation, elevator buttons, handrails, doorknobs, hopper doors and washers and dryers in common laundry rooms.

Multiple dwelling. The term “multiple dwelling” means a multiple dwelling as defined in section 27-2004 of the administrative code of the city of New York.

§ 2. The commissioner of housing preservation and development, in collaboration with the commissioner of health and mental hygiene, shall develop guidelines regarding best practices to clean and disinfect multiple dwellings to reduce the risk of infection with COVID-19. Such guidelines shall include:

- a. How to identify high-touch surfaces and examples of high-touch surfaces likely to be found in common areas of multiple dwellings;
- b. Frequency of cleaning;
- c. Cleaning methods;
- d. How to sanitize cleaning implements such as mops and cloths; and
- e. Any other information the commissioner of housing preservation and development and the

commissioner of health and mental hygiene deem appropriate.

§ 3. No later than 30 days after the effective date of this local law, the guidelines required by section two of this local law shall be made available on the websites of the department of housing preservation and development and the department of health and mental hygiene and shall be delivered to each owner and managing agent of a multiple dwelling identified on a registration statement pursuant to section 27-2098 of the administrative code of the city of New York.

§ 4. This local law takes effect immediately.

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