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DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2001, an unforeseen terrorist attack resulted in the tragic destruction of the World Trade Center; and

WHEREAS, the City of New York remains committed to ensuring that the air quality of the affected area is as pure as possible and minimally compromised by said tragedy; and

WHEREAS, due to the tragedy, the Office of Emergency Management has recently defined a need to provide daily emergency air sampling and monitoring at various schools in downtown Manhattan; and

WHEREAS, in order to perform such air monitoring with the frequency required over the next several months, it is necessary to retain the services of an outside contractor; and

WHEREAS, the results of the attack may be far reaching and are as of yet unknown and it is imperative that this monitoring take place; and

WHEREAS, the immediate action required cannot be met through normal procurement methods; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned circumstances affect the health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of New York.

NOW, THEREFORE, for the aforementioned reasons, pursuant to the authority conferred by Section 315 of the New York City Charter and Section 3-06 of the Procurement Policy Board Rules, I hereby determine that an emergency exists, and

I FURTHER DETERMINE that emergency contract(s) must be let in the most expeditious manner possible to ensure that necessary air sampling in the affected area can occur, to monitor and ensure the air quality of the City of New York.

Dated: October 19, 2001

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JOEL A. MIELE SR., P.E.
Commissioner

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