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- AN ACT to amend the multiple dwelling law and the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to clarifying certain provisions relating to occupancy of class A multiple dwellings

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 Section 1. Paragraph a of subdivision 8 of section 4 of the multiple 2 dwelling law is amended by adding a new subparagraph 3 to read as 3 follows:
- 4 (3) IN A CLASS A MULTIPLE DWELLING, THE USE OF A SHORT-TERM RENTAL 5 UNIT FOR OCCUPANCY OF FEWER THAN THIRTY CONSECUTIVE DAYS SHALL NOT BE 6 INCONSISTENT WITH THE OCCUPANCY OF SUCH MULTIPLE DWELLING FOR PERMANENT 7 RESIDENCE PURPOSES IF:
- 8 (A) SUCH DWELLING UNIT DOES NOT PROVIDE SINGLE ROOM OCCUPANCY AS9 DEFINED BY SUBDIVISION SIXTEEN OF THIS SECTION;

10 (B) SUCH DWELLING UNIT CONTAINS A BATHROOM AND A KITCHEN;

- 11 (C) SUCH DWELLING UNIT PROVIDES FOR AN EVACUATION DIAGRAM IDENTIFYING 12 ALL MEANS OF EGRESS FROM THE VACATION RENTAL UNIT AND THE BUILDING IN 13 WHICH IT IS LOCATED. SUCH EVACUATION DIAGRAM SHALL BE POSTED IN A 14 CONSPICUOUS PLACE ON THE INSIDE ENTRANCE DOOR OF EACH VACATION RENTAL 15 UNIT;
- 16 (D) SUCH DWELLING UNIT CONTAINS WORKING SMOKE DETECTORS LOCATED IN 17 EACH ROOM OF THE UNIT;

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[] is old law to be omitted.

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(E) SUCH DWELLING UNIT HAS SUFFICIENT FIRE, HAZARD, AND LIABILITY 1 2 INSURANCE TO COVER THOSE PERSONS USING THE UNIT FOR SUCH OCCUPANCY; 3 (F) ALL COMPENSATION RECEIVED FOR RENT, OR FOR HIRE, FOR SUCH DWELLING UNIT, SHALL BE SUBJECT TO ALL APPROPRIATE TAXES AND FEES, INCLUDING, BUT 4 5 NOT LIMITED TO, TAXES AND FEES IMPOSED BY SECTIONS 1104, 1105, 1107 AND 6 1109 OF THE TAX LAW, AND SECTION 11-702 OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF 7 THE CITY OF NEW YORK; 8 (G) SUCH DWELLING UNIT IS NOT CURRENTLY SUBJECT TO RENT CONTROL UNDER 9 CHAPTER THREE OF TITLE TWENTY-SIX OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF THE CITY 10 OF NEW YORK OR RENT STABILIZATION UNDER CHAPTER FOUR OF TITLE TWENTY-SIX OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, NOR DOES THE 11 OWNER THE CLASS A MULTIPLE DWELLING BUILDING IN WHICH THE UNIT IS LOCATED, 12 OF RECEIVE A TAX EXEMPTION, CREDIT, REDUCTION OR REFUND PURSUANT 13 TO A 14 PUBLIC HOUSING OR AFFORDABLE HOUSING; AND 15 (H) THE OWNER OR LEASEHOLDER OF SUCH DWELLING UNIT IS REGISTERED WITH 16 THE CITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE SEVEN-D OF THIS 17 CHAPTER EXCEPT WHERE SUCH UNIT IS PROVIDED AS A SHORT-TERM RENTAL FOR 18 LESS THAN THIRTY DAYS PER CALENDAR YEAR. SEPARATE REGISTRATION IS 19 REOUIRED FOR EACH BUILDING THAT SUCH OWNER OR LEASEHOLDER USES AS A 20 SHORT-TERM RENTAL. 21 PROVIDED FURTHER THAT IN CLASS A MULTIPLE DWELLINGS: (I) WITH FIVE TO TEN UNITS, NO MORE THAN FIFTY PERCENT MAY BE 22 REGIS-23 TERED AS SHORT-TERM RENTAL UNITS; 24 (II) WITH ELEVEN TO TWENTY UNITS, NO MORE THAN FORTY-NINE PERCENT MAY 25 BE REGISTERED AS SHORT-TERM RENTAL UNITS; AND 26 (III) WITH MORE THAN TWENTY UNITS, NO MORE THAN TEN PERCENT MAY ΒE 27 REGISTERED AS SHORT-TERM RENTAL UNITS. 28 S 2. Section 4 of the multiple dwelling law is amended by adding a new 29 subdivision 15-a to read as follows: 15-A. "SHORT-TERM RENTAL UNIT" IS A CLASS A MULTIPLE DWELLING UNIT 30 THAT IS AVAILABLE FOR RENT, OR FOR HIRE, FOR LESS THAN THIRTY DAYS BY 31 32 GUESTS. 33 S 3. The multiple dwelling law is amended by adding a new article 7-D 34 to read as follows: 35 ARTICLE 7-D 36 SHORT-TERM RENTALS 37 SECTION 288. REGISTRATION REQUIRED. 289. REGISTRATION FEE. 38 39 290. STANDARD OF OPERATION. 40 291. VIOLATIONS. S 288. REGISTRATION REQUIRED. ANY INDIVIDUAL THAT OWNS OR LEASES A 41 SHORT-TERM RENTAL UNIT, AS DEFINED BY SUBDIVISION FIFTEEN-A OF SECTION 42 FOUR OF THIS CHAPTER, AND RENTS SUCH UNIT OUT TO GUESTS FOR FEWER 43 THAN 44 THIRTY CONSECUTIVE DAYS MUST REGISTER WITH THE CITY FOR EVERY BUILDING 45 WHEREIN THE INDIVIDUAL HAS A SHORT-TERM RENTAL UNIT OR UNITS LOCATED. THE REGISTRATION SHALL INCLUDE THE LOCATION OF THE VACATION RENTAL UNIT, 46 47 TOTAL NUMBER OF SLEEPING ROOMS AND THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF A LOCAL THE 48 CONTACT PERSON. 49 S 289. REGISTRATION FEE. THE REGISTRATION FEE SHALL ΒE TWO HUNDRED 50 DOLLARS. 51 S 290. STANDARD OF OPERATION. EACH REGISTRATION SHALL CONTAIN AN ATTESTATION THAT THE INDIVIDUAL WILL COMPLY WITH A STANDARD OF OPERATION 52 THAT INCLUDES: 53 54 1. GUEST REGISTRATION RECORDS FOR EACH UNIT MUST BE MAINTAINED, WHICH 55 CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ABOUT EACH GUEST: THE GUEST'S NAME,

ADDRESS, AND DATES OF ACCOMMODATION. THE REGISTRATION RECORDS SHALL BE 1 KEPT ON FILE FOR THREE YEARS AND MADE AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION. 2 3 2. NO ILLEGAL ACTIVITY OR PUBLIC NUISANCE SHALL BE ALLOWED TO TAKE 4 PLACE IN THE UNIT. 5 3. THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF GUESTS IN A UNIT SHALL BE NO MORE THAN ONE 6 PERSON PER ONE HUNDRED SQUARE FEET OF FLOOR AREA. THE OCCUPANCY LIMITA-7 TIONS SET FORTH IN THIS SUBDIVISION ARE ABSOLUTE MAXIMUMS, AND THE ACTU-AL ALLOWED CAPACITY SHALL BE BASED ON THE APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE 8 BUILDING CODE. NOTICE OF THESE REQUIREMENTS SHALL BE PROVIDED TO ALL 9 10 GUESTS. 11 4. THE UNIT SHALL BE CLEANED AND SANITIZED BETWEEN GUESTS AND ALL 12 FOOD, BEVERAGES AND ALCOHOL SHALL BE THROWN OUT. ALL DISHES, UTENSILS, POTS, PANS AND OTHER COOKING UTENSILS SHALL BE CLEANED AND SANITIZED 13 14 BETWEEN GUESTS. 15 5. THE NAME AND PHONE NUMBER OF A LOCAL CONTACT PERSON AND PROOF OF 16 REGISTRATION SHALL BE POSTED IN A CONSPICUOUS PLACE NEAR THE ENTRANCE OF 17 THE UNIT. 6. WHERE A SHORT-TERM RENTAL UNIT HAS HAD AT LEAST TWO SUBSTANTIATED 18 19 COMPLAINTS ISSUED ON IT WHICH LED TO A FINDING OF AT LEAST TWO VIOLATIONS OF THIS ARTICLE OR ARTICLE FOUR OF THIS CHAPTER, REGISTRATION 20 21 OF THE UNIT, AND ANY OTHER SHORT-TERM RENTAL UNITS REGISTERED BY THE 22 INDIVIDUAL IN THE SAME BUILDING, SHALL BE REVOKED. 23 S 291. VIOLATIONS. 1. ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO IS FOUND BY THE DEPARTMENT TO 24 HAVE VIOLATED ANY REQUIREMENTS OF CLAUSE THREE OF PARAGRAPH A OF SUBDI-25 VISION EIGHT OF SECTION FOUR OF THIS CHAPTER WITH RESPECT TO USE AND 26 OPERATION OF A SHORT-TERM RENTAL UNIT, SHALL BE SUBJECT TO A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND NOT MORE THAN TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS. 27 28 INDIVIDUAL THAT OPERATES WITHOUT REGISTERING AS REQUIRED BY 2. ANY THIS ARTICLE SHALL BE SUBJECT TO A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN ONE THOUSAND 29 DOLLARS AND NOT MORE THAN TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS. 30 3. ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO MAKES ANY FALSE, MISLEADING OR FRAUDULENT STATE-31 32 MENT OR MISREPRESENTS ANY FACT ON THE REGISTRATION, OR USES ANY SCHEME 33 FOR THE PURPOSE OF EVADING ANY PROVISION OF THIS ARTICLE, SHALL BE SUBJECT TO A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND NOT MORE 34 35 THAN TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS. S 4. Subparagraph (a) of paragraph 8 of subdivision a of section 36 27-2004 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by 37 adding a new clause 3 to read as follows: 38 39 (3) IN A CLASS A MULTIPLE DWELLING, THE USE OF A SHORT-TERM RENTAL 40 UNIT FOR OCCUPANCY OF FEWER THAN THIRTY CONSECUTIVE DAYS SHALL NOT BE INCONSISTENT WITH THE OCCUPANCY OF SUCH MULTIPLE DWELLING FOR PERMANENT 41 RESIDENCE PURPOSES IF: 42 43 (A) SUCH DWELLING UNIT DOES NOT PROVIDE SINGLE ROOM OCCUPANCY AS 44 DEFINED BY SUBDIVISION SEVENTEEN OF THIS SECTION; (B) SUCH DWELLING UNIT CONTAINS A BATHROOM AND A KITCHEN; 45 SUCH DWELLING UNIT PROVIDES FOR AN EVACUATION DIAGRAM IDENTIFYING 46 (C) 47 ALL MEANS OF EGRESS FROM THE VACATION RENTAL UNIT AND THE BUILDING IN 48 WHICH IT IS LOCATED. SUCH EVACUATION DIAGRAM SHALL BE POSTED IN A 49 CONSPICUOUS PLACE ON THE INSIDE ENTRANCE DOOR OF EACH VACATION RENTAL 50 UNIT; 51 SUCH DWELLING UNIT CONTAINS WORKING SMOKE DETECTORS LOCATED IN (D) 52 EACH ROOM OF THE UNIT; (E) SUCH DWELLING UNIT HAS SUFFICIENT FIRE, HAZARD, AND LIABILITY 53 54 INSURANCE TO COVER THOSE PERSONS USING THE UNIT FOR SUCH OCCUPANCY; 55 (F) ALL COMPENSATION RECEIVED FOR RENT, OR FOR HIRE, FOR SUCH DWELLING UNIT, SHALL BE SUBJECT TO ALL APPROPRIATE TAXES AND FEES, INCLUDING, BUT 56

NOT LIMITED TO, TAXES AND FEES IMPOSED BY SECTIONS 1104, 1105, 1107, 1 2 1109 OF PART TWO OF ARTICLE TWENTY-EIGHT OF THE TAX LAW, AND SECTION 3 11-702 OF CHAPTER SEVEN OF TITLE ELEVEN OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF 4 THE CITY OF NEW YORK; 5 (G) SUCH DWELLING UNIT IS NOT CURRENTLY SUBJECT TO RENT CONTROL UNDER 6 CHAPTER THREE OF TITLE TWENTY-SIX OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF THE CITY 7 OF NEW YORK OR RENT STABILIZATION UNDER CHAPTER FOUR OF TITLE TWENTY-SIX OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, NOR DOES THE OWNER 8 THE CLASS A MULTIPLE DWELLING BUILDING IN WHICH THE UNIT IS LOCATED, 9 OF 10 RECEIVE A TAX EXEMPTION, CREDIT, REDUCTION OR REFUND PURSUANT TO A PUBLIC HOUSING OR AFFORDABLE HOUSING; AND 11 12 THE OWNER OR LEASEHOLDER OF SUCH DWELLING UNIT IS REGISTERED WITH (H) THE CITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE TWO OF 13 THIS 14 SUBCHAPTER EXCEPT WHERE SUCH UNIT IS PROVIDED AS A SHORT-TERM RENTAL FOR 15 LESS THAN THIRTY DAYS PER CALENDAR YEAR. SEPARATE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED FOR EACH BUILDING THAT SUCH OWNER OR LEASEHOLDER USES AS A 16 17 SHORT-TERM RENTAL. PROVIDED FURTHER THAT IN CLASS A MULTIPLE DWELLINGS: 18 WITH FIVE TO TEN UNITS, NO MORE THAN FIFTY PERCENT MAY BE REGIS-19 (I) 20 TERED AS SHORT-TERM RENTAL UNITS; 21 (II) WITH ELEVEN TO TWENTY UNITS, NO MORE THAN FORTY-NINE PERCENT MAY 22 BE REGISTERED AS SHORT-TERM RENTAL UNITS; AND 23 (III) WITH MORE THAN TWENTY UNITS, NO MORE THAN TEN PERCENT MAY BE 24 REGISTERED AS SHORT-TERM RENTAL UNITS. 25 S 5. Subdivision a of section 27-2004 of the administrative code of 26 the city of New York is amended by adding a new paragraph 14-a to read 27 as follows: 14-A. "SHORT-TERM RENTAL UNIT" IS A CLASS A MULTIPLE DWELLING UNIT 28 29 THAT IS AVAILABLE FOR RENT, OR FOR HIRE, FOR LESS THAN THIRTY DAYS BY 30 GUESTS. S 6. Subchapter 1 of chapter 2 of title 27 of the administrative code 31 32 of the city of New York is amended by adding a new article 2 to read as 33 follows: 34 ARTICLE 2 35 SHORT-TERM RENTALS 36 SECTION 27-2004.1 REGISTRATION REQUIRED. 37 27-2004.2 REGISTRATION FEE. 38 27-2004.3 STANDARD OF OPERATION. 39 27-2004.4 VIOLATIONS. 40 S 27-2004.1 REGISTRATION REOUIRED. ANY INDIVIDUAL THAT OWNS OR LEASES A SHORT-TERM RENTAL UNIT, AS DEFINED BY PARAGRAPH FOURTEEN-A OF SUBDIVI-41 SION A OF SECTION 27-2004 OF THIS SUBCHAPTER, AND RENTS SUCH UNIT OUT TO 42 43 GUESTS FOR FEWER THAN THIRTY CONSECUTIVE DAYS MUST REGISTER WITH THE 44 CITY FOR EVERY BUILDING WHEREIN THE INDIVIDUAL HAS A SHORT-TERM RENTAL 45 UNIT OR UNITS LOCATED. THE REGISTRATION SHALL INCLUDE THE LOCATION OF THE VACATION RENTAL UNIT, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF SLEEPING ROOMS 46 AND THE 47 NAME AND ADDRESS OF A LOCAL CONTACT PERSON. 48 S 27-2004.2 REGISTRATION FEE. THE REGISTRATION FEE SHALL BE TWO 49 HUNDRED DOLLARS. 50 S 27-2004.3 STANDARD OF OPERATION. EACH REGISTRATION SHALL CONTAIN AN 51 ATTESTATION THAT THE INDIVIDUAL WILL COMPLY WITH A STANDARD OF OPERATION 52 THAT INCLUDES: 1. GUEST REGISTRATION RECORDS FOR EACH UNIT MUST BE MAINTAINED, WHICH 53 54 CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ABOUT EACH GUEST: THE GUEST'S NAME, 55 ADDRESS, AND DATES OF ACCOMMODATION. THE REGISTRATION RECORDS SHALL BE 56 KEPT ON FILE FOR THREE YEARS AND MADE AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION.

2. NO ILLEGAL ACTIVITY OR PUBLIC NUISANCE SHALL BE ALLOWED TO TAKE 1 2 PLACE IN THE UNIT. 3 NUMBER OF GUESTS IN A UNIT SHALL BE NO MORE THAN ONE 3. THE MAXIMUM 4 PERSON PER ONE HUNDRED SQUARE FEET OF FLOOR AREA. THE OCCUPANCY LIMITA-5 TIONS SET FORTH IN THIS SUBDIVISION ARE ABSOLUTE MAXIMUMS, AND THE ACTU-6 AL ALLOWED CAPACITY SHALL BE BASED ON THE APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE 7 BUILDING CODE. NOTICE OF THESE REOUIREMENTS SHALL BE PROVIDED TO ALL 8 GUESTS. 9 4. THE UNIT SHALL BE CLEANED AND SANITIZED BETWEEN GUESTS AND ALL 10 FOOD, BEVERAGES AND ALCOHOL SHALL BE THROWN OUT. ALL DISHES, UTENSILS, AND OTHER COOKING UTENSILS SHALL BE CLEANED AND SANITIZED 11 POTS, PANS 12 BETWEEN GUESTS. 5. THE NAME AND PHONE NUMBER OF A LOCAL CONTACT PERSON AND PROOF OF 13 14 REGISTRATION SHALL BE POSTED IN A CONSPICUOUS PLACE NEAR THE ENTRANCE OF THE UNIT. 15 16 6. WHERE A SHORT-TERM RENTAL UNIT HAS HAD AT LEAST TWO SUBSTANTIATED COMPLAINTS ISSUED ON IT WHICH LED TO A FINDING OF AT LEAST TWO 17 VIOLATIONS OF THIS ARTICLE OR ARTICLE FOUR OF THE MULTIPLE DWELLING LAW, 18 19 REGISTRATION OF THE UNIT, AND ANY OTHER SHORT-TERM RENTAL UNITS REGIS-TERED BY THE INDIVIDUAL IN THE SAME BUILDING, SHALL BE REVOKED. 20 21 S 27-2004.4 VIOLATIONS. 1. ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO IS FOUND BY THE DEPART-TO HAVE VIOLATED ANY REQUIREMENTS OF CLAUSE THREE OF SUBPARAGRAPH 22 MENT (A) OF PARAGRAPH EIGHT OF SUBDIVISION A OF SECTION 27-2004 OF THIS CHAP-23 TER WITH RESPECT TO USE AND OPERATION OF A SHORT-TERM RENTAL UNIT, SHALL 24 25 BE SUBJECT TO A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND NOT MORE 26 THAN TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS. 27 ANY INDIVIDUAL THAT OPERATES WITHOUT REGISTERING AS REQUIRED BY 2. 28 THIS ARTICLE SHALL BE SUBJECT TO A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN ONE THOUSAND 29 DOLLARS AND NOT MORE THAN TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS. 3. ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO MAKES ANY FALSE, MISLEADING OR FRAUDULENT STATE-30 MENT OR MISREPRESENTS ANY FACT ON THE REGISTRATION, OR USES ANY SCHEME 31 32 FOR THE PURPOSE OF EVADING ANY PROVISION OF THIS ARTICLE, SHALL BE SUBJECT TO A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND NOT MORE 33 34 THAN TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS. S 7. This act shall take effect immediately. 35