PROCLAMATION OF A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY
PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE LAW – SECTION 24

WHEREAS, on July 6, 2021, the Governor of New York issued Executive Order 211, declaring a State Wide Disaster Emergency Due to Gun Violence, which Declaration of Disaster Emergency remains in effect to this day; and

WHEREAS, on July 20, 2022, by Executive Order 3.10, the Governor of New York extended the state disaster emergency as set forth in Executive Order 211 until August 19, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rochester continues to see unprecedented levels of gun violence; and

WHEREAS, as of July 21, 2022, there have been 202 shooting victims in calendar year 2022; and

WHEREAS, as of July 21, 2022, the City’s homicides have totaled 41; and

WHEREAS, Thirty-Four (82%) of those homicides involved use of a firearm; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rochester is committed to addressing gun violence in a holistic manner, through law enforcement as well as mental health assistance, crisis intervention, youth employment and community organizing; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rochester has maximized use of its local resources to address and reverse the continuing gun violence in the City; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rochester and County of Monroe have worked and continue to work cooperatively to provide Crisis and Mental Health services with the goal of reducing the gun violence, and have maximized the deployment of those services; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Malik D. Evans, Mayor of the City of Rochester, New York, pursuant to the powers granted me under New York State Executive Law Section 24 hereby proclaim a Local State of Emergency throughout the City of Rochester due to gun violence. This State of Emergency shall take effect at 12:00 p.m. on July 21, 2022.

This Proclamation of a Local State of Emergency shall be published in the local paper and publicized by an announcement over not less than two radio or television stations within normal operating range of the City.

Dated: July 21, 2022
Time: 9:00 a.m.

Malik D. Evans
Mayor, City of Rochester