

EXECUTIVE ORDER AND DIRECTIVE 14-01 Issued by ALBANY COUNTY EXECUTIVE DANIEL McCOY

Whereas, The County has the proud duty of safeguarding the health of its residents through laws that are fair, reasonable, and aimed at promoting the common good; and

Whereas, Electronic cigarettes, also known as e-cigarettes, pose a potential threat to the health of County residents, as the substances emitted by e-cigarettes are addictive and potentially harmful;

Whereas, "electronic cigarette" or "e-cigarette," as contained herein, shall mean any electronic device composed of a mouthpiece, heating element, battery and electronic circuit(s) that provides a vapor of liquid nicotine and/or other substances mixed with propylene glycol, glycerol, or other similar substance to the user as he/she simulates smoking. This term shall include such devices whether they are manufactured as e-cigarettes, e-cigars, e-pipes or under any other product name;

Whereas, E-cigarettes, when placed to the lips of its users and drawn on, release a vapor resembling a cloud of smoke;

Whereas, This vapor contains nicotine and may also contain irritants, genotoxins, and animal carcinogens; and

Whereas, Many of the e-cigarettes currently on the market are unregulated by the Federal Food and Drug Administration and can be purchased at various retailers within the County as well as on the internet; and

Whereas, County residents who wish to forgo exposure to the addictive and potentially harmful substances contained in the e-cigarette vapors should at least be so entitled to this wish while located on County property;

THEREFORE, I, Daniel P. McCoy, Albany County Executive, by virtue of the powers vested in me pursuant to the Albany County Charter and the laws of the State of New York, HEREBY ORDER AND DIRECT THAT:

(1) The use of e-cigarettes by persons located on County property is strictly prohibited under all circumstances. This is in addition to County Resolution 413 which prohibits smoking by staff, visitors or volunteers in Albany County buildings including in all

interior areas, all County vehicles and all outdoor areas within 20 feet of an entrance/door.

(2) A copy of this Order be sent to the Chair of the Albany County Legislature, the Albany County Sheriff's Department as well as the Mayors and/or head executives of each municipality within Albany County.

Dated: 6th day of February 2014 Albany, NY

Daniel P. McCoy

Albany County Executive