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To Whom It May Concern:

The New York Blood Center, Inc. is the blood collection and distribution supplier for the Greater New York Metro Region as well as the North East and MidAtlantic Regions of the United States. We are classified as an “essential business or entity” under Governor Cuomo’s Executive Order 202.6 as part of: (i) Health Care Operations (research and laboratory operations and medical and wholesale distribution) and (ii) Essential Manufacturing (pharmaceutical).

In addition, the attached letter from the Federal Emergency Management Agency sets forth the criticality of the blood centers as part of our public health infrastructure.

**We are providing this letter to our blood and cell therapy donors who have scheduled appointments with us so that they may provide this lifesaving blood or bone marrow donation at this critical time.**

If you have any questions please contact New York Blood Center, Inc, at (800) 933-2566.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

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