MEMORANDUM FOR All West Point Military Reservation Personnel and Tenant Units

SUBJECT: Renewal of Public Health Emergency for the United States Military Academy and the West Point Military Reservation

1. I declared a Public Health Emergency (PHE) for the United States Military Academy and the West Point Military Reservation on 26 March 2020 based on the Public Health Emergency Officer's (PHEO) recommendations and my risk analysis. I renewed the PHE on 25 April 2020, in accordance with DoD Instruction (DoDI) 6200.03, "Public Health Emergency Management (PHEM) within the DoD." On 27 April 2020, the Assistant Secretary of Defense, HON Thomas McCaffery, extended the duration of DoD public health emergencies from 30 days up to 90 days. As the current health situation has not improved significantly enough to lift the existing PHE, I am again renewing the PHE in accordance with the above authorities. This renewal will automatically terminate 22 October 2020 unless I renew or terminate it sooner.

2. The Installation PHEO and applicable U.S. Army Garrison – West Point staff will continue to identify, confirm, and control the PHE utilizing all the necessary means outlined in DoDI 6200.03. The PHEO may issue guidance that affects Installation personnel and property, and other individuals working, residing, or visiting this installation (e.g., steps to protect personnel health, closing base facilities, restricting movement, or implementing quarantine or isolation for select individuals). We have already established the Health Protection Condition (HPCON) level framework that provides detailed actions specific to this emergency that everyone should take to protect their health.

3. The Installation Command team and the PHEO will coordinate activities and share information with Federal, State, and Local officials responsible for public health and public safety to ensure our response is appropriate for this Public Health Emergency. Shared information may include personally identifiable health information only to the extent necessary to protect the public's health and safety.

4. Any person who refuses to obey or otherwise violates an order during this renewed PHE may be detained. Those not subject to military law may be detained until civil authorities can respond; they may also be removed from this Installation. Violators of procedures, protocols, provisions, or orders issued in conjunction with this PHE may be charged with a crime under the Uniform Code of Military Justice, and under 42 USC §271 which provides that violators are subject to a fine up to $1,000 or imprisonment for not more than one year, or both.

5. The POC for this memorandum is LTC Michael Greifenstein, Chief of West Point Department of Public Health at (845) 938-5836.

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