

## **6.26.20 Notes from the Governor's Briefing:**

Day 118 of COVID-19

### **DATA:**

- 61,723 tests yesterday
- 805 were positive
- 1.3% positive rate
- 14 lives lost yesterday
- 950 hospitalizations

### **REOPENING:**

- 5 regions will enter Phase 4 of reopening.
- Tracing system is working.
- Manufacturing plants are becoming clusters for disease.
- People are now looking into filters for air conditioners that can filter COVID-19 out of the air.

### **NATIONAL:**

- Gov reiterated that the U.S. strain of COVID-19 can be scientifically linked back to the European strain.
- Gov emphasized that states with rising infection rates are facing the consequences for politicizing COVID-19 and reopening.
- DeRosa is calling states like Arizona, Texas, and Florida to offer guidance and assistance.

### **Q&A:**

#### **NATIONAL:**

- Gov is open to providing any equipment and resources to other states.
- On the tri-state quarantine: Gov is still looking into the state's legal authority regarding what NY can do at the border.
- Gov is also looking to airlines for cooperation with the state quarantine.

#### **REOPENING:**

- Gov has not formally cancelled the Great NYS Fair, but said we are likely not in a position to hold the fair this year.
- On malls: Gov is hesitant to reopen large indoor areas.
- Gov repeated that there are issues with air circulation and COVID-19.
- On gyms: Gov said that practicing social distancing is hard, and there are air filtration concerns.