



CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) ADVISORY

Based on the fatwa issued by the **American Muslim Jurist Assembly (AMJA)** and the *fiqhi* (Islamic jurisprudence) rule that harm has to be removed and that no harm should be inflicted or reciprocated and, in compliance with the advisory from of **New York State Governor Andrew Cuomo's** office.

The **Imams and Boards** of local Masajids (ICCD, Al-Hidaya, As-salam, Al-Arqam) have unanimously decided:

1. All Muslims of the Capital District are excused and discouraged from attending Jumua'h
2. On Friday, March 13th the Masjids will be open for the few people who might show up
3. The Jumua'h will be short and will be less than 15 minutes long, including the salah.
4. All future Jumua'h services are cancelled until further notice
5. The advisory is same for the rest of the daily obligatory prayers

If any person experiencing any of the following symptoms:

1. Fever (even low grade)
2. New Cough/shortness of breath
3. New Sneezing/runny nose

He/She **MUST STAY AWAY** from attending the masjid. Scholars are in agreement that if anyone has life-threatening infectious disease, it is **HARAM** for him/her to come to the **MASJID**.

Additionally **PLEASE ABSOLUTLEY ABSTAIN** from shaking hands