

**PROCLAMATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY
TO ALL CITIZENS AND PERSONS WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF MILFORD AND TO ALL
DEPARTMENTS, DIVISIONS AND BUREAUS OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE
BOROUGH OF MILFORD**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the powers vested in me by (Chapter 251 of the laws of 1942, as amended and supplemented, N.J.S.A. App. A:9-30 et. seq.; N.J.S.A. 40:48-1 (6), and ordinances enacted pursuant thereto; N.J.S.A. 2C:33-1 et. seq.;- whichever law or laws apply), **Executive Order 103** and by ordinances adopted by the Borough of Milford I have declared that a **STATE OF EMERGENCY** exists within the Borough of Milford; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid laws authorize the promulgation of such orders, rules, and regulations as are necessary to meet the various problems which have or may be presented by such an emergency; and

WHEREAS, by reason of the rapidly evolving outbreak of the novel coronavirus, COVID-19, the need for government operations to address staffing capabilities to ensure essential operational needs are met in order to mitigate factors which may further adversely affect the health, safety, and welfare of the people of the Borough of Milford and exacerbate and worsen existing conditions; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the Borough of Milford has declared a State of Emergency, and that certain measures must be taken to ensure precautionary, temporary safety measures for the Employees of Milford Borough and further in order to protect the persons and property of the residents affected by the conditions and finally that governmental operations including but not limited to the conduct of public meetings shall be substantially altered; and

WHEREAS, all lands, buildings, spaces or properties owned or operated by Borough of Milford are hereby designated in a State of Emergency.

WHEREAS, the following will be the General Operations for the Borough of Milford;

1. Mandate that the public utilize U.S. Mail or the drop box at the Borough Hall for taxes, water/sewer payments, licenses, and other local government business.
2. Mandate that the public utilize phone, email to make routine inquiries and or report information to the municipality.
3. Otherwise close Borough offices to the public and only allow Borough employees, employees of other local, County, State, and Federal Offices and representatives of private entities having direct business with the Borough (i.e. vendors or contractors).
4. Cancel Planning Board & Board of Adjustment meetings.
5. Borough Council meetings shall be conducted in a virtual environment.
6. Cancel Borough sponsored recreation events through the end of April.

8. Close Milford Public Library today, March 17, 2020, at 5:00PM.

NOW, THEREFORE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH the aforesaid laws, we do hereby promulgate and declare the proceeding regulations shall be in addition to all other laws of the State of New Jersey and the Borough of Milford.

This order shall take effect 1200 hours, Tuesday, March 17, 2020 and shall remain in effect until such time it is determined by me in consultation with Hunterdon County OEM Coordinator that an emergency no longer exists.



Emergency Management Coordinator
Borough of Milford

3/17/2020
Date



Henry Schepens, Mayor

3-17-2020
Date