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City of Flushing Declares State of Emergency

Declaration is in Response to Coronavirus (COVID 19)

Flushing, MI – City of Flushing Mayor Joseph Karlichek has declared a State of Emergency within the City of Flushing due to Coronavirus (COVID – 19). The declaration follows in line with similar actions taken by the federal, state and county governments. The City of Flushing takes this pandemic seriously and acknowledges its responsibility to protect the health, safety and welfare of its citizens.

The City of Flushing and its hard working team continues to engage in planning to ensure essential public services to residents are uninterrupted. During this time, such services may be modified to comply with recommendations received from the Genesee County Health Department and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to mitigate the spread of the virus.

As of Tuesday, March 17, 2020, City of Flushing buildings will be closed to the public, however employees will be reporting to work. Alternate means for providing documents and paying of utilities bills is available and have been posted on the City of Flushing's website: www.flushingcity.com.

⚡ The Mayor's declaration will make the City of Flushing eligible for state, federal and county resources to respond as the city continues to address impacts caused by this pandemic.

The City of Flushing strongly encourages all residents implement mitigation strategies to minimize the transmission of COVID-19:

1. Clean your hands often
2. Stay at home if you are sick
3. Wear a facemask if you are sick
4. Avoid close contact
5. Cover coughs and sneezes
6. Clean and disinfect

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Declaring a Local State of Emergency

Submission date: Monday, March 16, 2020

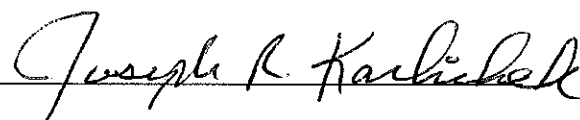
To: Deputy State Director of Emergency Management and Homeland Security –
Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division, Michigan State Police;
District 3 Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division Coordinator

On Monday, March 16, 2020 the City of Flushing sustained widespread impact caused by Coronavirus (COVID-19). As a result of this situation, the following conditions exist:

The City of Flushing has no confirmed case of Coronavirus (COVID-19), but the City takes seriously its responsibility to provide and maintain public safety, health and welfare to its residents. The residents within the City of Flushing are projected to be impacted by the spread of the virus, especially in our vulnerable populations, such as, but not limited to older adults, who make up over one third of the population and individuals who have severe underlying chronic medical conditions. The City of Flushing has begun taking active steps in its jurisdictional boundaries to mitigate and respond to the spread of COVID-19. The City is continuing to operate essential services, such as, but not limited to police, fire and public works, to maintain residents' safety, health and welfare during this pandemic and mitigate its spread in the community.

Therefore, as Mayor of City of Flushing, Genesee County, in accordance with Section 10 of 1976 PA 390, as amended, I hereby declare that a "state of emergency" exists within our jurisdiction as of Monday, March 16, 2020, and that local resources are being utilized to the fullest possible extent. The response and recovery elements of our emergency operations plan have been activated.

Authorized by: Joseph Karlichek

Signature: 

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