

Declaration of Disaster Emergency by the Borough of Mars, Pennsylvania

March 25, 2020

WHEREAS, a novel coronavirus known as 'COVID-19' has been declared a "public health emergency of international concern" by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC); and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States, Donald Trump, has declared a National Emergency under the Stafford Act; and

WHEREAS, through a Proclamation of Disaster Emergency by Pennsylvania Governor Tom Wolf, The Pennsylvania Department of Health declared COVID-19 a public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 has the potential to place the Borough of Mars in a significant public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 has the potential to endanger the health, safety and welfare of a substantial number of persons residing in the Borough of Mars and threatens to create problems greater in scope than the Borough of Mars may be able to resolve; and

WHEREAS, emergency management measures are required to reduce the severity of such disaster and to protect the health, safety and welfare of affected residents and businesses in the Borough of Mars; and


WHEREAS, this threat of imminent disaster and emergency has the potential to cause significant adverse impacts upon the population, schools, businesses, local government services and others throughout the Borough of Mars; and

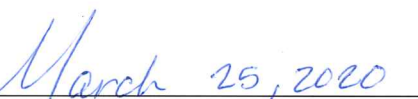
NOW, THEREFORE, the Mayor of the Borough of Mars, the honorable Gregg Hartung pursuant to the provisions of Section 7501 of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Services Code, (35 PA c.s., Section 7501), as amended, does hereby declare the existence of an emergency in Mars Borough;

FURTHER, I direct the Borough Administrative Staff, Borough Public Works Staff, and Officer In Charge of the Borough of Mars Police Department or their designee to coordinate the activities of the emergency response, to take all appropriate actions needed to alleviate the effects of this emergency, to aid in the restoration of normal daily proceedings, and to take any other emergency response action deemed necessary to respond to this emergency;

STILL FURTHER, I authorize officials of the Borough of Mars to act as necessary to meet the current exigencies of this emergency, namely: by the employment of temporary workers, by the rental of equipment, by the purchase of supplies and materials, and by entering into such contracts and agreement for the performance of public work as may be required to meet the emergency, all without regard to those time-consuming procedures and formalities normally prescribed by law, mandatory constitutional requirements excepted.

This Declaration shall take effect immediately.


Attest


Date


Honorable Gregg Hartung, Mayor

