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CORONAVIRUS COVID-19 UPDATE

Dear Palisades Park RESIDENTS,

Please allow this message to inform the residents of Palisades Park that as of 11am this morning (3/15/20), there have been NO confirmed cases of Coronavirus COVID-19 and we are vigilantly monitoring the situation. If any information comes my way to the contrary, you can be sure that I will share that with you all in a timely fashion.

Amid ongoing concerns about the coronavirus COVID-19, my top priority is the health, safety, and well-being of the residents of Palisades Park. I understand the concerns and uncertainty you may be experiencing around the evolving situation, and I am committed to being responsive and flexible to the residents' needs.

I am in regular contact with our Council Members, Emergency Officials, Health Official, County Officials, and the Governor's office. As we continue to monitor the coronavirus situation, I would like to provide the following updates to the community:

- Borough Hall will remain OPEN and we ask that residents limit visits to essential business only.
- Task Force Team and Office of Emergency Management meeting was held at the Borough Hall to discuss Boroughwide response efforts, working in conjunction with the state and county, as well as our City Council and local health, and public safety.
- Branka Lulic, Health Officer, is currently monitoring all situations with the County and the State.
- Palisades Park Senior Community Center is temporarily closed till further notice.
- Effective 3/16/20, ALL schools will be closed for all students through 3/30/20.

- Effective immediately, ALL Recreation programs have been temporarily suspended till further notice.
- Courts, Board of Adjustment and Planning board, and Library Board, meetings have been suspended temporarily.
- Working with local businesses, including Shoprite, to restock food and sanitary supplies, as well as cleaning and disinfecting the premises on an ongoing basis.
 - Please be courteous to our neighbors and purchase what you need without unnecessarily depleting the supply available for others.
- Effective immediately, any gathering of 250 or more should be cancelled as per mandate from the Governor and County Executive's office. I have been in touch with leaders of our religious institutions regarding recommended safety practices, including limitation of large-scale congregations.
- While restaurants and other businesses may remain open, social distancing policies have been recommended.

I urge everyone to please exercise appropriate social distancing and wash your hands frequently. It is the most effective thing you can do to avoid being infected or being a carrier of the virus infecting others. Please continue to adhere to the recommendations of the CDC (www.cdc.gov) with regard to washing hands, disinfecting surfaces, and avoiding large gatherings.

Common sense is still our best defense. As you can appreciate, this is a constantly evolving situation and we will do everything possible to provide you with the most up to date information. Please visit our website www.mypalisadespark.com for further updates.

Thank you.



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