West Bradford Township Chester County, Pennsylvania

Declaration of Local State of Disaster Emergency

WHEREAS, effective as of March 6, 2020, there were presumed positive cases of Coronavirus (COVID-19) confirmed in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania which was set forth in a Proclamation of Disaster Emergency issued by the Governor of Pennsylvania, Tom Wolf; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 presents the possibility of spreading both nationwide and within West Bradford Township, Chester County, and, therefore, may endanger the health, safety and welfare of a substantial number of persons residing in West Bradford Township and likewise threatens to create substantial public health, medical, and emergency response burdens within West Bradford Township, Chester County; and

WHEREAS, immediate proactive emergency management measures are required to mitigate and reduce the severity of this public health emergency for purposes of protecting the health, safety and welfare of residents in West Bradford Township, Chester County; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, the undersigned Manager of West Bradford Township, pursuant to the provisions of §7501 of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Services Code, (35 Pa C.S. §7101 et seq.), do hereby declare the existence of a local disaster emergency in West Bradford Township, Chester County;

FURTHER, the effect of this Declaration of Local Disaster Emergency is to activate the response and recovery aspects of any and all applicable local emergency management plans and to authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance thereunder.

FURTHER, I direct the Emergency Management Coordinator of West Bradford Township to coordinate the activities of emergency response, to take all appropriate action needed to alleviate the effects of this medical emergency, to aid in the restoration of essential public services, and to take any other emergency response and recovery action deemed necessary to respond to this disaster emergency.

DECLARED this 15th day of March, 2020, and to be ratified by the Board of Supervisors of West Bradford Township at its next public meeting.

WEST BRADFORD TOWNSHIP

Justin Yaich, Township Manager