

**TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT PLEASANT  
WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**DECLARATION OF DISASTER 1-2020 RELATED TO COVID-19**

**WHEREAS**, a novel coronavirus (now known as “COVID-19”) emerged in Wuhan, China, began infecting humans in December 2019, and has since spread to numerous countries including the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (“CDC”) have declared COVID-19 a “public health emergency of international concern” and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (“HHS”) Secretary has declared that COVID-19 creates a public health emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, the World Health Organization has declared COVID-19 a “global pandemic”; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of Pennsylvania has declared COVID-19 a disaster emergency throughout the Commonwealth; and

**WHEREAS**, the President of the United States has declared COVID-19 a National Emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, the spread of the virus creates a public health emergency; and threatens to cause injury, damage, and suffering to the persons and property of Mount Pleasant Township; and

**WHEREAS**, the Coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic has endangered the health, safety and welfare of a substantial number of persons residing in Mount Pleasant Township, and threatens to create problems greater in scope than Mount Pleasant Township may be able to resolve; and

**WHEREAS**, emergency management measures are required to reduce the severity of this disaster and to protect the health, safety and welfare of affected residents in Mount Pleasant Township.

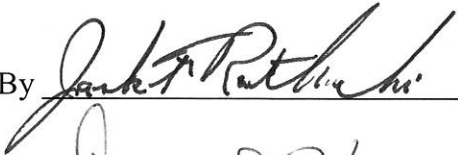
**NOW, THEREFORE,** We, the undersigned Supervisors of the Township of Mount Pleasant, pursuant to the provisions of Section 7501 of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Services Code, (35 PA C. S., Section 7501), as amended, do hereby proclaim the existence of a disaster emergency for Mount Pleasant Township.

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

**STILL FURTHER,** We, authorize officials of Mount Pleasant Township to act as necessary to meet the current demands 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 agreements 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 expected.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** We, the undersigned Supervisors of the Township of Mount Pleasant, have caused this Declaration of Disaster to be executed as of this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.

MOUNT PLEASANT TOWNSHIP

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