

DECLARATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on or about March 20, 2020, a life-threatening virus (Covid-19) has caused or threatens to cause injury, damage, and suffering to the persons and property of the Johnsonburg Borough, Elk County, PA; and

WHEREAS, the Covid-19 virus has endangered the health, safety and welfare of a substantial number of persons residing in Pennsylvania, and threatens to create problems greater in scope than the Johnsonburg Borough 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 Johnsonburg Borough, Elk County, PA;

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the undersigned Officials of the Johnsonburg Borough, pursuant to the provisions of Section 7501 of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Services Code, (35 PA C.S., Section 7501), as amended, do hereby declare the existence of a disaster emergency in the Johnsonburg Borough, Elk County, PA. This Declaration of Disaster will extend until such time as the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania releases their emergency declaration.

FURTHER, we direct the Johnsonburg Borough and the Elk County Emergency Management Coordinators 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 Johnsonburg Borough and Elk County 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 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 excepted.

This declaration shall take effect immediately.

BY:

John E Fowle, Mayor

Arthur J Malitto III, President

Attest: Rachel Kilhoffer
(Secretary)

Date: 3/27/2020

