

EMERGENCY DECLARATION NO. 2020-01

**BOROUGH OF SHREWSBURY
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY DUE
TO NOVEL CORONAVIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19) OUTBREAK**

WHEREAS, the Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 (“COVID-19”) is a highly contagious, and at times fatal, respiratory disease caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus; and

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services (“HHS”) declared a public health emergency, under Section 319 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 247d) in response to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization announced that the COVID-19 outbreak can be characterized as a pandemic, as the rates of infection continue to rise in many locations around the world and across the United States; and

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, Governor Philip D. Murphy declared a State of Emergency pursuant to Executive Order No. 103 to address the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, President Donald J. Trump declared a National Emergency under sections 201 and 301 of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.) and consistent with section 1135 of the Social Security Act (“SSA”), as amended (42 U.S.C. 1320b-5) concerning COVID-19 outbreak; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, Governor Murphy signed Executive Order No. 104, which implemented specific restrictions and other orders to further address the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. App. A:9-40.5, it is hereby necessary to declare a local disaster emergency within the Borough of Shrewsbury, therefore, authorizing the issuance and enforcement of any orders that may be necessary to implement and carry out emergency management operations and to protect the public health, safety, and resources of the residents of Shrewsbury Borough; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-1 and N.J.S.A. 2C:33-1, the Borough of Shrewsbury will use its general police powers, and where necessary, apply provisions of the criminal code to disburse any unauthorized gatherings hereunder.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DECLARED AND ORDERED THAT:

1. The terms of this declaration and order shall be applicable throughout the entire Borough of Shrewsbury;

2. The terms of Executive Order 104, signed by Governor Murphy on March 16, 2020, incorporated herein by reference, and which, by this declaration and order, shall be applicable and are hereby implemented within the Borough until such time as those terms are lifted by Governor Murphy or by order of the appropriate Borough official;

3. It shall be the duty of every person or entity in this Borough, or doing business in this Borough, and of the members of the governing body, and employees, officials, agents, and representatives of the Borough, and all other public entities within the Borough, of any nature whatsoever, to cooperate fully in all matters concerning this declaration and order;

4. Penalties for violation of this declaration and order may be imposed as provided by law;


5. This declaration and order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in effect until revoked or modified by the Governor, as applicable to his Executive Order, or by the appropriate Borough official; and

6. The Borough may amend, supplement, or rescind this declaration and order as appropriate.

It is on this 17th day of March, 2020, SO DECLARED AND ORDERED.




Jerzy Chojnacki
Emergency Management Coordinator



Erik Anderson
Mayor

Attest:



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Borough Attorney