

MERCER TOWNSHIP, BUTLER COUNTY, PA

**DECLARATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY RESOLUTION #R2020-0420-1**

WHEREAS, on or about **March 16, 2020 COVID-19, a public health emergency**, has caused or threatens to cause injury, damage and suffering to the persons and property of **Mercer Township** and

WHEREAS, **COVID-19** has endangered the health, safety and welfare of a substantial number of persons residing in **Mercer Township**, and threatens to create problems greater in scope than **Mercer 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 **Mercer Township**;

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the undersigned Supervisors of **Mercer Township**, pursuant to the provisions of Section 7501 of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Services Code, (35 PA CS), as amended, do hereby declare the existence of a disaster emergency in **Mercer Township**;

FURTHER, we direct the **Mercer Township** Emergency Management Coordinator **Jason Yasment** 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 **Mercer Township** 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 this **20th day of April, 2020** and continue until the next Board of Supervisors public meeting, **May 18, 2020** unless extended by the designated Board appointee.

**Mercer Township Board of Supervisors**

  
(Chairman)

Date: 4-20-2020

  
(Secretary)

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

