

WEATHERSFIELD TOWNSHIP POLICE

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Attention Residents:

To help prevent the further spread of COVID-19, on Sunday, Dr. Amy Acton, director of the Ohio Department of Health, signed a "Stay at Home" order, ordering people in the state of Ohio to remain in their homes unless they are doing an essential activity, such as going to the pharmacy or getting groceries. The order is effective from 11:59 p.m. on Monday, March 23, 2020 until 11:59 p.m. on April 6, 2020. The order is available on the state of Ohio website coronavirus.ohio.gov.

The order is mandatory. Governor DeWine stated this is an order, not a suggestion, and he expects all people to comply and that all health departments and local law enforcement can enforce this order. The Weathersfield Police Department and the Trumbull County Health Department will enforce the order as necessary. Violation of the order is a second-degree misdemeanor under RC 3701.99 and 3701.352. Generally, the officer will issue a warning for a first offense, but for subsequent offences or if people are acting with a blatant disregard of the order, the police department will issue a citation. Further, the Health Department and other state agencies can close businesses that refuse to comply.

Officers will not be stopping people to check why they are out or where they are going, and they will be intervening only when necessary to preserve public safety and to maintain the health and public peace of the community. If you are concerned about a violation of the Order, do not call 911. You may call the Weathersfield Police Department at 330-652-6486.

Respectfully,

Michael J. Naples, Jr.

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