

# BOROUGH OF ORADELL

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## Emergency Declaration

TO ALL RESIDENTS AND PERSONS WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF ORADELL, NEW JERSEY AND TO ALL DEPARTMENTS OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE BOROUGH OF ORADELL

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the powers vested by (Chapter 251 of the laws of 1942, as amended and supplemented, N.J.S.A. App. A:9-30 et seq.; N.J.S.A. 40:48-1(6); N.J.S.A. 2C:33-1 et seq., whichever law or laws apply, a local disaster emergency is declared to exist within the boundaries of the Borough of Oradell, and

**WHEREAS**, the aforesaid laws authorize the promulgation of such orders, rules and regulations as are necessary to meet the various problems which have or may occur due to such emergency, and

**WHEREAS**, by reason of the conditions which currently exist in certain areas of the Borough of Oradell, which may affect the health, safety and welfare of the people of the Borough of Oradell, and

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined that the Borough of Oradell should then be declared a disaster area and further that certain measures must be taken in order to insure that the authorities have the ability to perform emergency operations as well as maintaining an orderly flow of traffic, and further in order to protect the persons and property of the residents affected by the conditions, and

**WHEREAS**, the following areas are designated disaster areas:

The Borough of Oradell in its entirety

**THEREFORE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH** the aforesaid laws, it is promulgated and declared that the following regulations shall be in addition to all other laws of the State of New Jersey and the Borough of Oradell,

**WHEREAS**, on January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization designated the Novel Coronavirus, COVID-19, outbreak as a Public Health Emergency of International Concern; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 31, 2020, the United States Health and Human Services Secretary declared a public health emergency for the entire United States to aid the nation's healthcare community in responding to the Coronavirus (COVID-19); and

**WHEREAS**, the spread of COVID-19 within New Jersey, and specifically within the Borough of Oradell, constitutes an imminent public health hazard that threatens and presently endangers the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Borough of Oradell; and

**WHEREAS**, the spread of COVID-19 in New Jersey at a rate comparable to the rate of spread in other affected areas, would greatly strain the resources and capabilities of county and municipal governments, including public health agencies, which provide essential services for containing and mitigating the spread of contagious diseases, such as COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, as of this date, 98 presumptive positive cases both travel-related cases and community contact transmission of COVID-19 have been documented in New Jersey, with 1 confirmed case in the Borough of Oradell; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 9, 2020, the Governor of the State of New Jersey has declared the concurrent invocation of both a State of Emergency pursuant to N.J.S.A. App.A.:9-33 et seq. and a Public Health Emergency as contemplated by N.J.S.A. 26:13-1 et seq., which action invoked the authority and powers contemplated by N.J.S.A. 26:13-3, the Emergency Health Powers Act; and

**WHEREAS**, on this date, March 10, 2020, the State of New Jersey recorded its first death attributed to COVID-19, and accordingly the County will implement more aggressive mitigation measures in conjunction with the current containment efforts to combat COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 10, 2020, in response to the health emergency posed by COVID-19, the county of Bergen issued Executive Order No. 2020-01, which declared a State of Emergency in Bergen County and established mandates to combat COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, the county of Bergen issued Executive Order 2020-1A, which expanded the mandates to combat COVID-19 to include the closing of all public theatres, movie theatres and performance halls; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared COVID-19 a National Emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Oradell is working with Federal, State and Local Officials and authorities on a daily basis on prevention and mitigation activities that include providing critical information to the public about COVID-19 to provide facts and avoid unnecessary fear, training emergency responders and health professionals about the disease and investigation suspected, presumptive and confirmed cases; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Oradell may be required to acquire goods and services that may not be currently available in the Borough's product inventory or from vendors with whom the Borough currently has a contracted relationship in order to protect and maintain the health, safety, and welfare of Borough residents and visitors, and successfully combat the impact of the virus; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the ongoing COVID-19 health emergency, it is necessary to use every means at our disposal to implement additional measures, including but not limited to those directed at places of public gathering, in order to flatten the curve of the spread of COVID-19; and

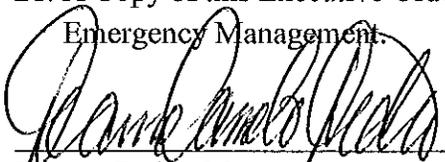
**WHEREAS**, in consultation with and at the recommendation of, the Borough of Oradell Emergency Management Coordinator Derek Kahill

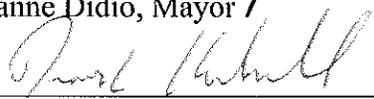
NOW THEREFORE, I Dianne Didio, as Mayor of the Borough of Oradell, do hereby order and direct that:

1. The above recitals are incorporated herein as if more fully set forth at length.
2. A health emergency hereby exists within the Borough of Oradell regarding the Coronavirus (COVID-19).
3. All necessary Borough Departments are authorized to take appropriate action to assist in the containing, preparing for, responding to, and recovering from this COVID-19 outbreak.
4. All Borough Departments immediately shall develop and implement any and all infectious disease guidelines and protocols and use all personal protective equipment in connection therewith.
5. All Borough employees shall follow all local, County, State and Federal health recommendations, in addition to Centers for Disease Control recommendations including but not limited to hand washing, sanitizing and basic Infection control procedures.
6. There is an immediate ban on all Borough business related travel to any states that have reported COVID-19 cases. Similar travel restrictions are strongly recommended for all local travel.
7. Borough residents who are seniors, particularly those with underlying health conditions, are strongly encouraged to avoid large crowds and large gatherings while COVID-19 remains a threat.
8. To combat COVID-19, the Borough shall be permitted whenever necessary to procure the necessary goods or services, which are not available under contracts currently in existence with the Borough, without complying with the New Jersey Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6 et. Seq.), including but not limited to the following:
  - a. To award emergency contracts, including but not limited to emergency contracts or leases for relocation and support of Borough operations for professional services for purchases of commodities, services, and technology;
  - b. To purchase food, supplies, services and equipment;
  - c. To procure any supplies or equipment required to ensure adequate sanitization, cleaning or sterilization of any facility or location.
9. The Borough Health Officer shall implement any emergency regulations or amendments to any sanitary or health code of the borough.
10. The Borough Health Officer shall engage in periodic and regular communications with the Borough in order to coordinate activities, avoid any gaps in information sharing and collaborate on containment and mitigation measures in order to ensure accurate and comprehensive contact tracing to effectively combat the spread of COVID-19, coordinate, communicate and collaborate with all local officials to take the necessary steps to combat the spread of COVID-19.
11. All Borough Departments shall take all reasonable measures to protect the health and safety of such vulnerable and at risk populations, including safe treatment, transfer and discharge practices to comply with the Emergency Medical Treatment and Active Labor Act (42 U.S.C. section 1395dd) and any associated regulations.

12. The Borough Health Officer and all Borough Departments shall work collaboratively to determine and execute effective strategies, initiatives, protocols and procedures to prevent, mitigate and combat the spread of COVID-19, particularly among the most vulnerable and at-risk population, including but not limited to senior centers and nursing homes; and take all action to the extent necessary to maintain the public health with respect to treatment or containment of persons with or possibly exposed to COVID-19.
13. All Borough parks, playgrounds, basketball and tennis courts along with recreational fields including Doug Parcels Athletic Complex are closed to the public until such time as it is determined by me that an emergency no longer exists.
14. All houses of worship are strongly encouraged to temporarily suspend all services or other communal activities.
15. All banking and other financial institutions are strongly encouraged to practice social distancing and make every attempt to limit the number of customers.
16. All workplaces are strongly encouraged to implement and observe CDC workplace social distancing measures, such as replacing in-person meetings with teleworking, modifying, postponing, or cancelling mass gatherings.
17. I recommend that all places of public gathering hosting 50 or more persons use their best efforts to record the name, address, phone or other appropriate contact information of all employees, patrons, visitors, vendors or any other persons within their facilities in order to aid health officials in the event contact tracing activities should become necessary in connection with their operations.
18. In accordance with the Division of Local Government Services guidelines, public meetings may be held in person or by means of communication equipment, to include streaming services and other online meeting platforms. All meetings using communications equipment, must be noticed in a manner consistent with the requirements of state law. Local units should also provide guidance to the public for remotely accessing and providing comment through communication equipment, unless otherwise directed by state or local emergency management or health officials.
19. All Borough parking regulations are lifted until such time as it is determined by me that an emergency no longer exists.
20. This order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in effect until such time as it is determined by me that an emergency no longer exists.
21. A Copy of this Executive Order shall be immediately transmitted to the Bergen County Office of

Emergency Management.

  
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 Dianne Didio, Mayor

  
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 Derek Kahill, Emergency Management Coordinator

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