

# DECLARATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on or about March 18, 2020 COVID-19 has caused or threatens to cause injury, damage, and suffering to the persons and property of Montgomery Township and;

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

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the undersigned Supervisors of Montgomery Township 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 Montgomery Township.

**FURTHER, we direct the Montgomery Township Emergency Management Coordinator 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 and continuity 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 Montgomery 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.

(SUPERVISORS)

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Tanya C. Bamford, Chair

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Matthew W. Quigg, Vice Chair

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Candyce Fluehr Chimera, Supervisor

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Annette M. Long, Supervisor

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Beth A. Staab, Supervisor

Attest:

  
Carolyn McCreary, Township Manager

Date: March 18, 2020

**APPROVED BY A MAJORITY OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BY EMAIL AND ADOPTED THIS 18<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2020 AS ATTESTED BY CAROLYN McCREARY, TOWNSHIP MANAGER**