



TOWN OF CANTON

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EMERGENCY DECLARATION

WHEREAS, I, Robert Bessel, Chief Executive Officer of the Town of Canton, after consulting with Police Chief Chris Arciero, Emergency Management Director, find that the Coronavirus Disease (COVID 2019) pandemic has:

- 1) Created a clear and present threat to life and property; and
- 2) That due to the Coronavirus Disease (COVID 2019) a condition of extreme peril to life and properties exists and thus necessitates the proclamation of a State of Emergency.

NOW THEREFORE, Pursuant to Charter Section 5.03, I, Robert Bessel, Chief Executive Officer of the Town of Canton hereby declare that as of 12:00 pm, March 19, 2020 a State of Emergency exists in the Town of Canton. This Declaration of Emergency shall remain in effect for no more than 120 hours unless extended by vote of the Board of Selectmen.

IT IS FURTHER DECLARED AND ORDERED that during the existence of the State of Emergency the Chief Executive Officer shall exercise those powers, functions and duties prescribed by State law, the Town Charter, and all applicable ordinance, resolutions, special acts, and the Town Emergency Operations Plan in order the effects of said emergency.

Robert Bessel
Canton First Selectman

3/19/2020
Date

Attest