Dear Lincoln Park Resident,

I am pleased to inform you that as of the writing of this letter, Lincoln Park has NO confirmed or suspected cases of the novel coronavirus.

After careful consideration, however, I have decided to declare a state of emergency for the Borough of Lincoln Park due to the ongoing concerns with the COVID-19 virus. This declaration is primarily a borough acknowledgement of actions put in place following the Governor’s statewide emergency status. Further, it allows us to make certain decisions which affect us directly on a municipal level and provides access to potential resources from state and federal agencies as they are made available.

This declaration should not unduly alarm anyone in Lincoln Park. This is merely a proactive step to be taken to help insure that we are prepared moving forward. Please read the following emergency declaration. Borough Hall will remain open for business, though we are restricting public access both for the safety of our residents and our employees. Most business can be conducted via phone, email, online and using borough drop boxes for correspondence and payments. There will be limited hours for making cash payments in the finance department. All other face to face business in town hall must be done with an appointment. Phone directories for departments and individual employees can be found on the borough’s website and are available outside of the entrances to the municipal building.

These and any further actions are constantly being monitored by myself, Borough Department Heads and other professionals and are subject to change at any time. The Borough will continue to send updates and additional information as necessary. Please monitor the borough website, Facebook, Twitter and Channel 77 for additional information. Remember also to sign-up for the NOTIFY ME module through our website.

Thank you for your understanding and your patience.

Stay safe and healthy!

Mayor David Runfeldt
PROCLAMATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY
TO ALL CITIZENS AND PERSONS WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF LINCOLN PARK AND
TO ALL DEPARTMENTS, DIVISIONS AND BUREAUS OF THE MUNICIPAL
GOVERNMENT OF THE BOROUGH OF LINCOLN PARK:

WHEREAS, pursuant to the powers vested in me 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), and ordinances enacted pursuant thereto; N.J.S.A. 2C:33-1 et. seq., Executive Order 103 and by ordinances adopted by the Borough of Lincoln Park I have declared that a STATE OF EMERGENCY exists within the Borough of Lincoln Park; 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 be presented by such an emergency; and

WHEREAS, by reason of the rapidly evolving outbreak of the novel coronavirus, COVID-19, the need for government operations to address staffing capabilities to ensure essential operational needs are met in order to mitigate factors which may further adversely affect the health, safety, and welfare of the people of the Borough of Lincoln Park and exacerbate and worsen existing conditions; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A App. A:9-33.1, entitled “Emergency Powers of Government,” a disaster is defined as an unusual incident resulting from natural or unnatural causes which endangers the health or safety of residents; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the Borough of Lincoln Park should be declared a disaster area, and further that certain measures must be taken to ensure that the authorities will be unhindered in their efforts to maintain law and order as well as an orderly flow of traffic and further, in order to protect the persons and property of the residents affected by the conditions, and finally that governmental operations including but not limited to the conduct of public meetings shall be substantially altered; and

WHEREAS, all lands within the boundaries of the Borough of Lincoln Park, as a result of the outbreak of the novel coronavirus, are hereby designated as disaster areas, in accordance with the “Emergency Powers of Government.”

NOW, THEREFORE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH the aforesaid laws, we do hereby promulgate and declare the following regulations shall be in addition to all other laws of the State of New Jersey and the Borough of Lincoln Park effective as of 6:00: PM, Tuesday, March 17, 2020.

1. All Day Care Centers, Adult Day Care Centers, and Banquet facilities located within the Borough of Lincoln Park shall close for business and remain closed until the Borough rescinds or modifies this Emergency Order.

2. All Land Use Board meetings are cancelled until the Borough rescinds or modifies this Emergency Order

3. Borough offices will remain staffed, however, public access to the Lincoln Park Municipal Building will be restricted to Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM for CASH payments (Water
and Taxes) at the Finance Department window ONLY. All other correspondence should be via telephone, email or Borough provided drop boxes (outside both entrances) or by appointment.

4. Council Chambers will be closed to the public. Scheduled Council Meetings will be broadcast on Facebook Live @ https://www.facebook.com/lincolnparkboro. Call-in information will be announced at the commencement of the meeting for public participation.

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David A. Runfeldt, Mayor/OEM Coordinator

Date

\[3/17/2020\]