

*From the desk of
Mayor Joseph E. D'Onofrio*

March 17, 2020

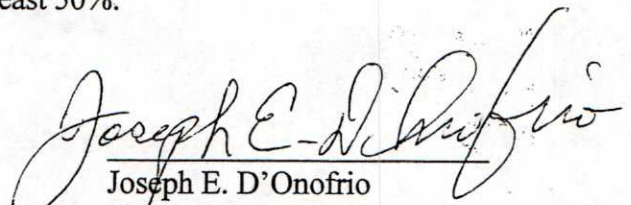
State of Emergency Declared in the Village of Highland Falls

A State of Emergency is hereby declared in the Village of Highland Falls effective 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 17, 2020 until 8:00 a.m. Tuesday, March 31, 2020 and may be rescinded or amended by subsequent order. This State of Emergency has been declared due to the COVID-19, also known as Corona Virus Disease 2019. This situation threatens the public safety.

As the Mayor of the Village of Highland Falls, I, Joseph E. D'Onofrio, exercise the authority given me under Section 24 of the New York State Executive Law, to preserve the public safety and hereby render all required and available assistance vital to security, well-being, and health of the citizens of this Village.

I hereby direct all departments and agencies of the Village of Highland Falls to take whatever steps necessary to protect life and property, public infrastructure, and provide such assistance deemed necessary.

The Mayor and the Village Board strongly urge residents of the Village to follow the guidelines set forth by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the New York State Department of Health for the next 14 days, which may include but not limited to; work or engage in schooling from home whenever possible, avoid social gatherings in groups of more than 10 people, avoid eating or drinking in bars, restaurants, and fast food courts, (use drive-thru, pick up or delivery) avoid discretionary travel, practice good hygiene (wash your hands, avoid touching your face, sneeze or cough into a tissue or inside of your elbow) disinfect frequently used items and surfaces as much as possible; furthermore, schools to remain closed for two weeks ending April 1st, bars and restaurants should be closed after 8:00 pm, until further notice (during this time, only take out or delivery service is allowed), The Board strongly advises only services and businesses that are essential stay open after 8:00pm (groceries, gas stations, pharmacies, medical facilities.), non-essential municipal workers will work from home and be on call and local government will reduce workforce by at least 50%.


Joseph E. D'Onofrio
Mayor