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Hi. This is Mayor Danielle DiPaola on behalf of your Governing Body calling to update you on the C-19 health crisis as well as to give you other information. To date, we have 162 positive cases; 139 of those cases are residents in our three nursing and long-term care facilities. Sadly, Emerson has seen some residents pass away from the virus. Their loss is felt throughout our community and we send out our thoughts and prayers as we grieve with the families who have lost loved ones.

On a positive note, we are relieved to report that some individuals in our community have recovered. We are beginning to see a decrease in the amount of daily positive cases and for this we are very grateful. Please continue to abide by the Governor's order to wear a cloth face covering when entering retail establishments. We also encourage you to wear a cloth face covering whenever you are outside your home and feel that you may come in contact with someone in our community in order to stop the spread. Also continue to wash your hands, avoid touching your face and avoid contact with people who are sick. If you feel sick, please contact your primary care physician for guidance or dial 911 in an emergency.

Also, some other information. The Governing Body passed a resolution that asks all residents to tie a red ribbon around a tree or pole outside their home in support of our Emerson heroes who are going to work and putting their lives on the line during this health crisis. We also want you to stay tuned for information from our Environmental Commission for the opening of our Community Garden in May. Our library continues to present programming online so please check out their website to check the schedule and also to learn how to take out virtual books.

As always if you are having issues obtaining food due to the loss of income or if you are a senior or disabled and not able to leave your home, please reach out to Borough Hall at 201-262-6086 or a religious leader in town that you are most comfortable with and we will do our best to provide assistance for you.

The Governor issued Executive Order #130 on April 28th allowing municipalities to consider extending the deadline for paying second quarter property taxes until June 1st. If this resolution is adopted at our Tuesday, May 5th Council meeting, we will make an announcement on Wednesday, May 6th.

I know these past few weeks have been difficult but I am so proud of our community for adhering to all guidelines and doing what is best for everyone. We truly are working on this together and we will come out of this stronger, Emerson strong. As always, I remain available to you by phone at 201-509-1534 or by email at mayor@emersonnj.org. Be smart, stay healthy. God bless you and God bless Emerson.

Respectfully

Danielle DiPaola
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