

**TO ALL RESIDENTS AND PERSONS WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER,
NEW JERSEY AND TO ALL DEPARTMENTS OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT
OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the powers vested 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); N.J.S.A. whichever law or laws apply, I, in conjunction with the Office of Emergency Management Coordinator, declare a State of Emergency currently exists within the Borough due to the spread of COVID-19 viral outbreak; and

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, Governor Phil Murphy issued Executive Order 103 declaring a State of Emergency in response to the COVID-19 viral outbreak; and

WHEREAS, the State of Emergency is intended to contain the spread of COVID-19 as the number of cases in the State continues to grow; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid laws authorize the promulgation of such orders, rule and regulations as are necessary to meet the various problems which have or may occur due to such an emergency, and

WHEREAS, by reason of the conditions which are imminent due to the spread of COVID-19 anticipated impact on Borough of South River which may affect the health, safety and welfare of the people of Borough; and

WHEREAS, this Declaration is necessary to ensure the continued provision of essential services to our residents during this emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John M. Krenzel, Mayor of the Borough of South River, in conjunction with the Office Emergency Management Coordinator, in order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the people of the Borough of South River, State of New Jersey, **DO DECLARE and PROCLAIM** that a Public Health Emergency and State of Emergency exist in the Borough of South River, and I hereby **ORDER and DIRECT** that the following regulations shall be in addition to all other laws of the State of New Jersey and the Borough of South River:

1. All municipal buildings shall be closed to the public. All payments by residents should be made by through the payment drop box, online services or mail.
2. All contact with the Borough Departments should be made via telephone, email, fax and/or the Borough notification system.
3. The Chief of Police is authorized to appoint Borough of South River Special Law Enforcement Officer- Class III officers to Special Law Enforcement Officer- Class II positions to address manpower issues pursuant to the Attorney General guidance.
4. The Borough is suspending the requirements for the sale or transfer of residential homes, including the Certificate of Continued Occupancy.
5. This declaration shall serve as an official waiver for the CCO and the sale of transfer or residential property within the Borough.
6. All existing inspection appointments are hereby cancelled.

7. Permit fees for COO's that are being cancelled will be refunded.
8. All persons or entities that transfer title without these inspections during this emergency do so at their own risk and the Borough of South River disclaims any liability. Homeowners should otherwise voluntarily comply with the three (3) primary safety elements of the home sale instruction sheet provided by the Fire Marshal.
9. Work associated with existing or pending permits may continue and be completed without any required municipal inspections. Municipal inspectors will return to inspect these projects and issue CA's and CO's once the suspension has been lifted. Pending permits which are ultimately processed will require payment once they are approved.
10. Permits must still be filed for all work which typically requires a permit and should be submitted by mail to the Construction Office at 48 Washington Street, South River, NJ.
11. All Committee meetings of the Borough of South River are hereby cancelled until further notice.
12. This Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in effect until such time as it is determined by me that an emergency no longer exists

Given Under my hand and the Seal of the Borough of
South River, New Jersey, This 17th Day of March 2020

John M. Krenzel, Mayor

Arthur Londensky, Office of Emergency Management
Coordinator

Witness: