

BOROUGH OF JIM THORPE
CARBON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

DECLARATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, since on or about **March 16, 2020**, a **COVID-19 pandemic** has caused or threatens to cause illness, injury, damage, and suffering to the persons of Jim Thorpe Borough; and

WHEREAS, the **COVID-19 pandemic** has endangered or threatens to endanger the health, safety and welfare of a substantial number of persons residing in Jim Thorpe Borough, and threatens to create problems greater in scope than problems Jim Thorpe Borough may be able to resolve without emergency measures; and


WHEREAS emergency management measures are required to reduce the severity of this disaster and to protect the health, safety and welfare of affected residents in Jim Thorpe Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, the undersigned Mayor of Jim Thorpe Borough pursuant to the provision of Section 7501 of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Services Code, (35 PA S.S., Section 7501), as amended, do hereby declare proclaim the existence of a disaster emergency in Jim Thorpe Borough for a period that continues from previous declarations and extending past the date of this declaration until its expiration on December 20, 2020.

FURTHER, I direct the Jim Thorpe Borough Emergency Management Coordinator to standby in the event he will be needed to coordinate the activities of the emergency response, to take all appropriate action needed to alleviate the effects of this disaster, to aid in the restoration of essential public services, and/or to take any other emergency response action deemed necessary to respond to this emergency.

STILL FURTHER, I authorize officials of Jim Thorpe Borough to act as necessary to meet the current demands of this emergency, namely: by the employment of temporary workers, by the rental of equipment, by the purchase of supplies and materials, and by entering into such contracts and agreements for the performance of public work as may be required to meet the emergency, all without regard to those time-consuming procedures and formalities normally prescribed by law, mandatory constitutional requirements excepted.

This Declaration shall take effect immediately.



Michael J. Sofranko, Mayor

9/10/2020
Date



Gregory Strubinger, Council President

9-10-20
Date

Attest:



Louise McClafferty, Secretary

9-10-2020
Date