



Proclamation

LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY AND CURFEW

**TO ALL RESIDENTS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE AND PERSONS
WITHIN ITS BOUNDARIES AND TO ALL DEPARTMENTS, DIVISIONS AND
OFFICES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE, COUNTY OF MERCER,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, the United States of America, the State of New Jersey and the Township of Lawrence are under a state of public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, pursuant to Executive Order No. 103 (2020), the Governor of the State of New Jersey has declared the concurrent invocation of both a State of Emergency pursuant to N.J.S.A. App.A.:9-33 *et seq.* and a Public Health Emergency as contemplated by N.J.S.A. 26:13-1 *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, through Executive Orders Nos. 119 and 138 (2020), issued on April 7, 2020 and May 6, 2020, respectfully, the Governor declared that the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency continued to exist and declared that all Executive Orders and Administrative Orders adopted in whole or in part in response to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency remained in effect; and

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2020 Mayor James Kownacki and Jack Oakley, the Emergency Management Coordinator, Proclaimed a Local Disaster Emergency in the Township of Lawrence pursuant to the powers vested in accordance with N.J.S.A. App. A:9-40.5 *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor is authorized to exercise certain powers upon the determination and declaration of a state of emergency including, but not limited to, ordering of a general curfew applicable to such portion of the Township or age group within the Township as the Mayor might deem advisable to be applicable, during such hours of the day and night as are necessary for the protection of the public safety welfare;

WHEREAS, there have been lawful peaceful protests throughout the country in response to events which took place in Minneapolis, Minnesota, but during the course of these protests, people have caused property damage, looting and have committed violence against other people;

WHEREAS, the Mayor has made a finding that violence, including the looting of and damage to local businesses and properties, in neighboring municipalities, during the past 24 hours creates a danger to the public and to property which has created a public emergency requiring a closure of businesses and the imposition of a curfew until the end of such emergency; and

WHEREAS, neighboring municipalities in the County of Mercer, are also instituting curfews in their municipalities; and

WHEREAS, as it has been determined that the Township of Lawrence still remains under state of local disaster emergency and certain measures must be taken in order to ensure that the authorities will be unhampered in their provision for the health, safety and welfare of its people, to aid in the prevention of damage to or the destruction of property, and further to cope with any conditions that shall arise out of such emergency, be it therefore resolved that:

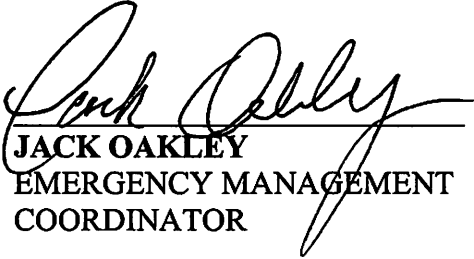
THERE SHALL BE IMPOSED A 7:00 P.M. to 6:00 A.M. CURFEW FOR ALL INDIVIDUALS WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE, INCLUDING VEHICULAR TRAFFIC ON MUNICIPAL PUBLIC STREETS, WAYS OR PLACES WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE, EXCEPT AS AUTHORIZED BY THE MAYOR, THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR OR OTHER DESIGNATED OFFICIALS, OR FOR THE POLICE, FIRE OR OTHER EMERGENCY VEHICLES.

FURTHER, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. All provisions from the prior Proclamations of Local Disasters Emergency shall remain in effect;
2. All Township parks and other public areas shall be closed from the hours of 7:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.;
3. All businesses, including essential businesses as designated by the Governor, shall close during the hours of the curfew;
4. All person shall shelter in place in their residence;
5. Persons reporting to or from, or performing their essential job as limited to government officials or employees conducting their official duties, health care workers, law enforcement or emergency personnel, shall be exempted from this curfew;
6. Persons travelling because of a reasonable fear for his or her health or safety, shall be exempted from this curfew;
7. Persons travelling at the directions of law enforcement or other governmental agency shall be exempted from this curfew;

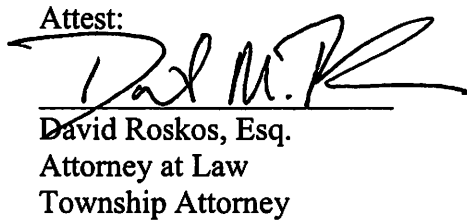
8. Persons seeking medical attention, essential social services or assistance from law enforcement or emergency services, shall be exempted from this curfew.

NOW, THEREFORE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH the aforesaid laws, on the first day of June, in the year 2020, I do hereby promulgate and declare that the above cited applicable regulations shall be in addition to all other laws of the State of New Jersey in order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the people of the Township of Lawrence.


JACK OAKLEY
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
COORDINATOR


JAMES KOWNACKI
MAYOR


BRIAN CALOIARO
CHIEF OF POLICE

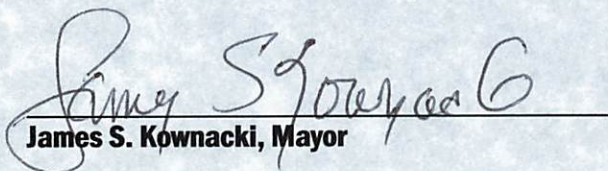
Attest:

David Roskos, Esq.
Attorney at Law
Township Attorney



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WHEREAS, the local disaster emergency proclamation issued on the 1st day of June 2020, pursuant to the powers vested by the laws of the State of New Jersey is no longer required.

NOW, THEREFORE IN ACCORDANCE WITH the aforesaid laws, I do hereby declare that the local disaster emergency no longer exists and rescind the aforesaid proclamation.


James S. Kownacki, Mayor

Attest:


Kathleen S. Norcia, Municipal Clerk

Dated: June 3, 2020

11:20 a.m.

