

**NEW FLORENCE BOROUGH
WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
DECLARATION OF DISASTER**

WHEREAS, A novel coronavirus (now known as "COVID-19") emerged in Wuhan, China, began infecting humans in December 2019, it has since spread to numerous countries, including the United States; and

WHEREAS, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") have declared COVID-19 as a public health emergency of international concern, and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services ("HHS") secretary has declared that COVID-19 creates a public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, The World Health Organization has declared COVID-19 a "global pandemic";

WHEREAS, the Governor of Pennsylvania has declared COVID-19 a disaster emergency throughout the Commonwealth and has placed the entire Commonwealth under a "Stay at Home" order;

WHEREAS, the President of the United States has declared COVID-19 a National Emergency

WHEREAS, the spread of the virus creates a public health emergency; and threatens to cause injury, damage, and suffering to the persons and property of New Florence Borough;

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic had endangered the health, safety, and welfare of a substantial number of persons residing in New Florence Borough, and threatens to create problems greater in scope than New Florence Borough may be able to resolve; and

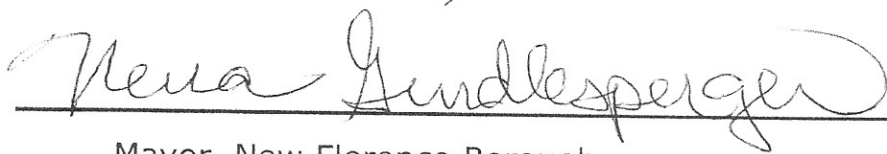
WHEREAS, emergency management measures are required to reduce the severity of this disaster and to produce the health, safety, and welfare of affected residents in New Florence Borough.

NOW, THEREFORE, I the undersigned Mayor of New Florence Borough pursuant to the provisions of Section 7501 of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Services Code (35 PA C. S., Section 7501), as amended, do hereby proclaim the existence of a disaster emergency in New Florence Borough.

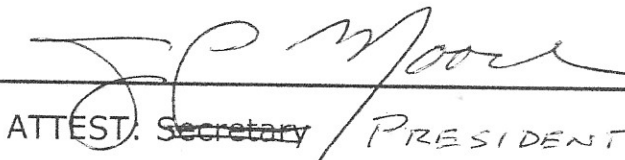
FURTHER, I direct the New Florence Borough Emergency Management Coordinator to coordinate the activities of the emergency response, to take all appropriate action needed to alleviate the effects of this disaster, to aid in the restoration of essential public services, and to take any other emergency response action deemed necessary to respond to this emergency.

STILL FURTHER, I authorize officials of New Florence Borough to act as necessary to meet the current demands of this emergency, namely: by 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. And

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, New Florence Borough has caused this Declaration of Disaster to be executed by their duly respective officers this 6th day of April 2020.



Mayor, New Florence Borough


ATTEST: ~~Secretary~~ / PRESIDENT, NEW FLORENCE BOROUGH
COUNCIL