

Town of
Longmeadow, Massachusetts
20 Williams Street, Longmeadow, MA 01106



EMERGENCY DECLARATION

WHEREAS, a sudden, generally unexpected occurrence or set of circumstances demanding immediate public action has arisen within the Town of Longmeadow; and

WHEREAS, in response to the public health pandemic COVID-19 (coronavirus), and the work of the Town's Emergency Management Team, Public Safety Officials, Public Health Officials, Longmeadow Public Schools and the entire community to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, I have declared a state of emergency to mitigate any potential spread of COVID-19 (coronavirus). This declaration not only gives me sweeping powers, but more importantly avails our town and schools to all federal and state relief and recovery assistance needed; and

WHEREAS, the Select Board upon advice of the Town of Longmeadow's Emergency Management Director has determined that the aforesaid incident poses a present and reasonable imminent danger to public health, safety or general welfare of the people or their property so that it has become necessary for the Director to utilize and coordinate the services, equipment, supplies and facilities of existing departments, offices and agencies of the Town for the purposes of civil defense/emergency management and emergency functions; and


WHEREAS, the Select Board has determined that the immediate public action is needed to prevent, minimize, or mitigate damage to the public health, safety or general welfare of the people of Longmeadow or their property which may otherwise result from the above described incident and that taking the time required to comply with the various state and local procurement laws would endanger the health or safety of the people or their property; and

WHEREAS, the Select Board has recommended that a state of emergency be declared in the Town of Longmeadow; and

WHEREAS, the people of the Town of Longmeadow should be able to depend upon guidance from their chief executive officer.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Marie Angelides, Chair of the Select Board of the Town of Longmeadow, Massachusetts, hereby declare that as of 7:00 AM on March 16, 2020 a state of emergency exists in the Town of Longmeadow. This declaration of emergency shall remain in effect until revoked, pursuant to my judgment that the state of emergency no longer exists.

Date: March 16, 2020

By: 
Marie Angelides, Chair
Town of Longmeadow Select Board