



## *Borough of Greencastle*

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April 30, 2020

Dr. Rachel Levine, Secretary  
Pennsylvania Department of Health  
625 Forster Street  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Madame Secretary,

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Our understanding is that you have developed a plan to re-open Pennsylvania based on regional metric data as opposed to a statewide metric. As we continue to understand and appreciate how COVID-19 is effecting our community, we ask that you consider updating your re-opening decisions based upon zip code or at most countywide metrics. Zip code or county metric data more closely aligns with the demography of Greencastle, the present status of COVID-19 locally, and presents a natural progression of the re-opening model you have established. We therefor are asking that you consider immediately changing the re-opening phase status for zip code 17225 and/or Franklin County from "Phase RED" to "Phase YELLOW," which more appropriately aligns with Greencastle's COVID-19 status.

Lastly, we ask you to continue to earnestly work with the PA House and Senate who share your desire to protect our citizen's safety while balancing the economic security of our state.

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