



MAYOR'S REPORT
TO MEMBERS OF COUNCIL, STAFF, AND OUR CITIZENS
PRESENTED MAY 4, 2020:

As Mayor I again thank our citizens for their supportive cooperation with the Governor's stay in home policy so this COVID-19 mitigation may be successfully realized. Further, I appreciate our front-line employees who continue performing their tasks in serving our community providing life sustaining services, be it water, sewer, or public safety. They continue to take personal precautions to stay healthy which are all certainly warranted for themselves, their families, and our citizens.

Thanks to members of Council and the Antrim Township Supervisors for endorsing a joint Proclamation for "Bells Across Pennsylvania" as we had "Bells Across Greencastle-Antrim" this past Sunday evening. Tonight and tomorrow night we honor our local Rescue Hose Company members with red porch lights commemorating International Shine Your Lights for Firefighters sponsored by the National Fallen Firefighters' Foundation.

Not since the Great Depression has it been any more critical that we support our Greencastle businesses that remain closed by order of Governor Tom Wolf. This order cannot continue much longer as I have been contacted by business owners who don't understand why they cannot open even though they are more than willing to smartly open using Centers for Disease Control guidelines. We continue to observe our citizens travel out of town to purchase items that are available right here in Greencastle. CDC guidelines are very easy to adhere to as we're seeing at the few business that are open. I have not spoken to one business owner unwilling to observe health and safety practices by their employees and customers. We must partner with our business owners, Chamber of Commerce, and Antrim Township Supervisors and get the key to our community and turn it from locked to unlocked and OPEN FOR BUSINESS!

Respectfully submitted,

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