

**DELMONT BOROUGH  
WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020 – 4**

**A RESOLUTION TO RATIFY, RESTATE AND EXTEND A DISASTER DECARATION**

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

**WHEREAS**, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (“CDC”) have declared COVID-19 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”; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commissioners of Westmoreland County have declared COVID-19 a disaster emergency throughout Westmoreland County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of Pennsylvania has declared COVID-19 a disaster emergency throughout the Commonwealth; and

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

**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 Delmont Borough; and

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

**WHEREAS**, emergency management measures are required to reduce the severity of this disaster and to protect the health, safety and welfare of affected residents in Delmont Borough; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor of the Borough of Delmont, in accordance with specific statutory authority granted by 75 Pa.C.S.A. §7501, declared a disaster emergency in the Borough of Delmont on March 17, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the provisions of the Pennsylvania Borough Code, such declaration may be ratified and extended by Borough Council.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Delmont that, in consideration of the foregoing and of the continuing medical pandemic, as follows:

1. **THAT** the Declaration of a Disaster Emergency by the Mayor of the Borough of Delmont on March 17, 2020 is hereby ratified and confirmed;
2. **THAT** the Delmont Borough Emergency Management Coordinator shall continue 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;
3. **THAT** the appropriate officials of Delmont Borough shall continue to act as necessary to meet the current demands of this emergency, namely: by the 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 expected;

4. **THAT** the prior notifications issued to the public and to Borough employees as part of the original Declaration of a Disaster Emergency shall remain in full force and effect; and


5. **THAT** the Council of the Borough of Delmont does hereby restate and continue the Declaration of a Disaster Emergency in full force and effect until midnight on Tuesday, May 12, 2020 or until the Governor of Pennsylvania shall rescind and release the COVID-19 disaster emergency throughout the Commonwealth.

**RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Delmont at a special public meeting duly assembled this 31<sup>st</sup> day of March 2020.

Council of the Borough of Delmont

ATTEST:

By   
President

  
Secretary  
(Seal of the Borough)