



# Town of Upper Marlboro

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**THE TOWN OF UPPER MARLBORO, MARYLAND**  
**DECLARATION OF A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY**  
**TOWN EMERGENCY ORDER NO. 04-2020**

**WHEREAS**, on March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020, Maryland Governor Larry Hogan initially declared a state of emergency in response to concerns about the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19); and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the Md. Code Ann., Public Safety Art., Section 14-111, a local State of Emergency may be declared by the principal executive officer of a political subdivision; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Emergency Ordinance 2020-04 (Emergency Operations), the President of the Town may declare a Local State of Emergency for a 30-day period; and

**WHEREAS**, an initial Emergency Declaration was declared on March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020, with an extension approved by the Board of Town Commissioners at the April 28<sup>th</sup> Board Work session; and

**WHEREAS**, the Order of the Governor of the State of Maryland Number 20-09-01-01, issued September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020, specifically authorized political subdivisions to issue more restrictive orders than issued by the Governor including requiring any businesses, organizations, establishments, or facilities (except schools) to close or modify their operations; and/or requiring individuals to remain indoors or to refrain from congregating; and

**WHEREAS**, while Prince George's County Maryland's has continued to show a slow downward trend in the number of new positive cases, positivity rate, the number of COVID-19 related hospitalizations and deaths, the County currently sits right at the cusp between being classified in the moderate and low risk exposure range; and

**WHEREAS**, the County Executive has issued a Local Order known as Executive Order No. 20-2020 on September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 providing that the Stay-at-Home Order remains rescinded, unless specifically stated otherwise in her Order; however, all residents are still encouraged to stay in their homes or place of residences as much as possible, continue to practice appropriate personal hygiene like regular hand-washing and exercising appropriate social; and

**WHEREAS**, the President does hereby find that it is in the best interest of public safety and the protection of property that the exercise of certain rights be temporarily limited and that the conditions of this Order is designed to provide the least necessary restriction on those rights; and

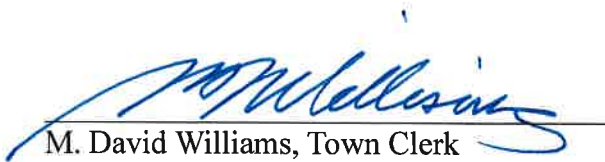
**NOW THEREFORE**, be it resolved that on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2020, President Linda Pennoyer of the Board of Commissioners for the Town of Upper Marlboro, hereby declares:

1. As of 5:00 p.m. a State of Local Emergency continues to exist within the boundaries of the Town of Upper Marlboro because of ongoing concerns about the possible spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) existing on September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

2. That the Local (County) Order known as Executive Order No. 20-2020 issued on September 3<sup>rd</sup> 2020 by the County Executive is hereby adopted by reference herein as if written word for word herein below and shall be applicable and enforced by the Upper Marlboro Police Department within the corporate limits of the Town.
3. The State of Local Emergency shall extend through December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020, unless terminated or modified earlier.
4. All Town-owned buildings and facilities are closed to the public until the cancellation of this State of Local Emergency. Town General Government staff shall shift to one-person manning Town Hall for each business day to handle telephone calls.
5. The Town shall follow the COVID-19 Response Policy and Directive for Town personnel and visitors to Town facilities, and the Town Response Plan for Courthouse Reopening, each hereby attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein, until the cancellation of this declaration. All prior emergency orders issued remain in effect except as modified by this Order.
6. A copy of Governor's Order (NUMBER 20-09-01-01) and County Executive Order No. 20-2020 shall be made available to all occupants or attendees at any Town building and facility where public business is permitted.
7. During this State of Local Emergency, the President and Board of Town Commissioners shared responsibilities include but are not limited to taking actions authorized by the Town Charter, Town Ordinances, and State and Local Orders issued to protect the public's health, safety, and welfare.

ATTEST:

THE TOWN OF UPPER MARLBORO

  
M. David Williams, Town Clerk

  
Linda Pennoyer, President

Date: September 15, 2020



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**Sarah Franklin**  
Commissioner/Treasurer

**Janice Duckett**  
Commissioner

**Linda Pennoyer**  
Commissioner/President