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Sunday, April 12, 2020

To the Residents of Kingston,

This afternoon the Massachusetts Department of Public Health announced that there were 2,024 confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 in Plymouth County. This represents an increase of 215 confirmed cases from yesterday's count of 1,809. **The Town of Kingston remains at 10 confirmed positive cases of COVID-19.** Kingston's Health Agent and Public Safety Officers will continue to monitor these local cases. Due to privacy requirements, the demographics of these cases will remain anonymous.

Please continue to visit www.kingstonmass.org for daily updates from Kingston's Emergency Management Team, as well as links to the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) websites.

Kingston's Emergency Management Team elected not to meet today to allow members of the team who celebrate the Easter holiday to enjoy a day off with family. In lieu of a formal meeting I spoke with Kingston's Health Agent, Arthur Boyle, who confirmed that Kingston's number of confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 remains at 10.

Nearly one month ago we began shutting down municipal buildings, parks, and playgrounds to the public. We did so with the hope that by decreasing the opportunity for this virus to be transmitted we could improve the health, safety, and economic outcomes for residents, Town employees, businesses and our community as a whole. Over the last month, Kingston's Emergency Management Team, Board of Selectmen, and Board of Health, have encouraged residents to socially distance themselves, and to stay at home unless it was absolutely necessary. Although there has been a tremendous effort made by those aforementioned groups, ultimately the effort and responsibility to curb COVID-19's grip on our lives has rested with each of you. The decisions that you have made and continue to make each and every day have collectively impacted the health of our entire community. Thank you to all the residents who have socially distanced. Thank you to the residents who have stayed at home. Thank you to those who have donned medical gloves, coughed or sneezed into their elbows, worn face coverings, and vigilantly washed their hands. Your actions have and will continue to prevent the spread of the virus, help preserve hospital capacity for those who are very ill, and will preserve the supply of personal protective equipment that is critically needed by our first responders and frontline medical workers.

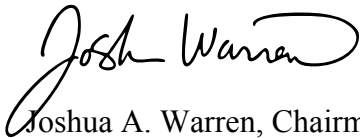
Parents and residents looking for a fun weekend activity are encouraged to create cards, notes and drawings of inspiration and hope for Kingston's seniors. The Council on Aging is accepting these items from members of the community. They ask that you bundle your letters, cards, and pictures, and leave them unsealed in the designated box outside the front door to the COA. Please include your name, or the name of your group, and

associated contact information. If you would prefer to donate blank note cards for COA staff to use to send special messages to seniors, those too are welcomed. All donated pieces will be reviewed and disinfected by COA staff before being sent to seniors.

With confirmed cases of COVID-19 on the rise, Kingston's Emergency Management Team and Board of Health would like to remind you that this is a crucial time for infection control. Maintaining social distancing, limiting exposure to others, avoiding crowded places, and vigilant hand washing are vital steps in slowing the spread of this disease.

Remember, by staying apart we are actually coming together to save lives and prevent the transmission of COVID-19.

Be well,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Josh Warren". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Joshua A. Warren, Chairman
Board of Selectmen