

**Hampton Bays Fire District
Declaration of District Emergency
March 16, 2020**

The Board of Fire Commissioners of the Hampton Bays Fire District, located in Hampton Bays, County of Suffolk and State of New York, has kept fully informed of the current public health and safety concerns concerning the pandemic outbreak of the coronavirus (COVID19) in localities and Counties on Long Island , throughout New York State and the United States and around the world. In a time of an extreme emergency and potential disaster of this magnitude, it is incumbent upon the local, State, national governments, and the governments around the globe and their elected officials, to act decisively and in an abundance of caution in taking all measures necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of the members of the Hampton Bays Fire Department and their families, the employees and representatives of the Hampton Bays Fire District and their families, the residents of the Hampton Bays Fire District and all other members of the public.

Accordingly, by unanimous decision and Order of the Board of Fire Commissioners , in an abundance of caution, and for the safety of the Hampton Bays Family and all members of the public, we are hereby declaring a state of emergency and disaster based upon the current pandemic outbreak of the coronavirus (COVID19) in localities and Counties on Long Island , throughout New York State and the United States and around the world, and on the basis of this declaration as issued pursuant to the powers and authority granted to the Board of Fire Commissioners by law, are hereby declaring the aforesaid emergency and disaster, invoking all emergency powers and authority conferred upon the Board and the Commissioners by law in order to perform and discharge the duties and responsibilities conferred upon it and them by law, and therein, without limitation , to take all steps necessary to obtain and maintain the performance of necessary work by public works, or the purchase of equipment, supplies and materials, all without competitive bidding should that prove necessary , in order to perform their duties , and in addition, are hereby closing both Department Firehouses except for emergency responses until further notice. Members responding to an emergency are to remain in the truck bay areas and leave the Firehouse after signing in for the call. The closure includes prohibiting use of the gymnasium facility by members, their families and authorized guests. In addition, by Order, the Board is cancelling all non-essential gatherings scheduled and non-scheduled at both Department Firehouses through at least March 31, 2020 pending further notice. This includes, but is not limited to, all training sessions, Department and District meetings and any other meetings, gatherings and events to be held at either Firehouse. This will allow us to clean and keep the Firehouses as clean and sterile as possible for the safety of our responding members and staff and members of the public. As the situation evolves the Board of Fire Commissioners will keep all updated and will, as deemed necessary, extend the time period of the Orders issued and declared in this notice and declaration, and issue any further Orders and directive deemed necessary for the public health, safety and welfare which is the paramount concern and objective of all.

Hampton Bays New York
March 16, 2020

So, Ordered by the Hampton Bays Board of Fire Commissioners
Robert King Chairman Christopher Langsdorf, Commissioner
Kevin Kenny Commissioner Kevin Connolly, Commissioner
Richard Durand Commissioner

David G. Van Scoy Sr.
Hampton Bays Fire District Secretary