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To: Town of Franklin Residents, Businesses & Visitors

From: Jamie Hellen, Town Administrator

Sara Ahern, Superintendent of Schools

Re: Coronavirus Update - Public Facilities Closure

Based on the information provided in Governor Baker's press conference last night, effective today, March 16, 2020, the Franklin Town and School Administration offices, as well as <u>all</u> public buildings and schools in Franklin will be closed to the public through Monday April 6th. As of this announcement, we expect to resume town and school operations on Tuesday April 7th, or until further direction if offered.

- While the Municipal Building and other departments are closed for direct, in person service, staff will be available for all regular business activities via phone, email and our online services center at www.franklinps.net/
- The status of each Departments' functions will be announced in the next day or two.
- For an emergency, please continue to dial 911.

Employees are expected to report to work for a regular work day until further notice. We are preparing school and town departments for work from home options and skeleton crews. More information will be forthcoming in the days ahead.

The following links are resources to find out information on best practices, travel restrictions and other facts about the spread of the virus. These are the three most trusted and factual sources of information for you and your family.

Center for Disease Control -- https://www.cdc.gov/Coronavirus/

Massachusetts Department of Public Health -- www.mass.gov/2019coronavirus

Town of Franklin -- https://www.franklinma.gov/