



**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR**  
**TOWN OF WALLINGFORD**  
**CONNECTICUT**

**WILLIAM W. DICKINSON, JR.**  
MAYOR

Dear Citizens:

Our Town is experiencing the continuing health threat known as Coronavirus (COVID-19). The Wallingford Health Department is monitoring information from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Connecticut Department of Public Health. Town government is actively instituting measures to protect Town employees and continuing our effort to provide services which assist residents and businesses. We are very aware of our need to promote important public health measures and an unwavering commitment to maintain public access to the government services essential to our community. We are on a sure and steady course. Our adapting to constant change is essential to ensure our course is best for our Town.

Town government employees will not be able to assist residents and businesses if they become ill. Please do not enter a government building, or other business, if you are suffering from coughing, sneezing, or shortness of breath. Communicate by telephone, mail or other electronic means to avoid exposing employees to illness. Again, we cannot serve you when we are ill.

There is much every person can do to combat the Coronavirus. Transmission of the disease is believed to primarily occur when a person has a fever, coughs or sneezes, similar to how other influenza diseases spread. Please, if you are coughing and sneezing, do not seek the company of other people either for business or enjoyment. Kindly adhere to the following Health Department advice:

- Practice good hygiene and wash your hands with soap and warm water for a minimum of 20 seconds
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick and large social gatherings
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth
- Stay home when you are ill and until fever free for 24 hours without fever reducing medicine
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe
- If you suspect you have been exposed to the COVID-19, please contact your health provider

Now is the time for us to rationally protect ourselves and others and not spread disease. We need everyone to be healthy and provide the work product and service so essential for friends, neighbors and fellow residents.

Sincerely,

Bill Dickinson  
Mayor