MAYOR'S MEMO

News of Interest to Southfield Residents from Mayor Ken Siver

This is <u>SERIOUS;</u> Take Necessary Precautions

Southfield has the unfortunate distinction of having the highest number of COVID-19 cases of any community in Oakland County.

SFLD COVID-19 STATS

March 28 - 229 Confirmed cases April 1 - 450 Confirmed cases April 6 - 744 Confirmed cases April 7 - 823 Confirmed cases 59 Deaths to date

We strongly remind and request residents to stay at home this Passover and Easter as required by law, and to practice all other recommended protocols and guidelines to help flatten the curve of the spread of this virus.

"It is vitally important that the community continues to stay safe at home unless it is absolutely necessary to go out for food, medicine or for work in an approved essential capacity," commented Mayor Ken Siver.

"With the Passover and Easter holidays this week, it's crucial for residents to remember that we all must observe the law and follow other requirements such as maintaining appropriate social distancing of at least six feet apart when out.

Limit Passover, Easter

"Traditional Passover Seders and Easter dinners and gatherings should not take place for the safety of us all! Limit these events to only the members of your household.

"We can and will get through this together, but we must all stay #SouthfieldStrong until we can gather again," Siver said.

Southfield residents are protected and served by unparalleled police, fire and EMS service with the resources and trained professionals needed to keep the community safe. We need to keep our first responders safe, as well.

Residents are also reminded that violation of the governor's stay-athome order could result in up to a \$1,000 civil fine, a \$500 criminal fine and 90 days in jail. Law enforcement, prosecutors and health departments are empowered to work together to enforce the order as necessary.

"We are in a real battle with COVID-19 and we need to enlist every resident to do their part to help us fight this virus," stated Southfield Chief of Police Elvin Barren.

It appears that many residents are not taking the stay at home order seriously. Visiting family and friends is very risky.

City Hall closed until May 1

Following the Michigan Legislature's resolution of April 7, the stayat-home order is extended through April 30. Depending on how the COVID-19 virus continues to spread, the Legislature may extend the order well into May.

Check the City's website for up to date information:

www.cityofsouthfield.com

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