DECLARATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on or about March 16, 2020 a Coronavirus Pandemic known as COVID-19 has or threatens to endanger the health, safety and welfare of the residents and first responders of Bristol Township; and

WHEREAS, the Pandemic threatens to create problems greater in scope than Bristol Township may be able to resolve; and

WHEREAS, emergency management measures may be required to reduce the severity of this disaster and to protect the health, safety and welfare of affected residents and first responders in Bristol Township;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, the undersigned Chief Executive of Bristol Township, pursuant to the provisions of Section 7501 of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Services Code, (35 PA C.S., Section 7501), as amended, do hereby declare the existence of a disaster emergency in Bristol Township.

FURTHER, I direct the Bristol Township Emergency Management Director or his representative to coordinate the activities of the emergency response, to take all appropriate action needed to alleviate the effects of this disaster, to aid in the restoration of essential public services, and to take any other emergency response action deemed necessary to respond to this emergency.

STILL FURTHER, I authorize officials of Bristol Township to act as necessary to meet the current exigencies of this emergency, namely: by the employment of temporary workers, by the rental of equipment, by the purchase of supplies and materials, and by entering into such contracts and agreements for the performance of public work as may be required to meet the emergency, all without regard to those time-consuming procedures and formalities normally prescribed by law, mandatory constitutional requirements excepted.

This Declaration went into effect at 10:00am Monday March 16, 2020 and has hereby been extended through 11:59pm Sunday April 5, 2020.

Randee J. Elton  
Township Manager