



# TOWN OF MONROE

## OFFICE OF THE FIRST SELECTMAN

### **COVID-19 Pandemic Update** **April 19, 2020 CodeRED Update**

The State Department of Public Health is now reporting the total number of laboratory-confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Monroe at 54 and sadly, they have confirmed a total of two residents that have now passed away. We extend our condolences to those families who have lost someone. While we continue to see more cases throughout Fairfield County, there is some hope, in that the total number of people currently hospitalized in Fairfield County has actually dropped slightly over the last two days.

Governor Lamont has signed an executive order directing the use of a homemade cloth face covering or a mask, to be worn by anyone in public wherever a six-foot distance is unavoidable. This order goes into effect Monday night at 8:00 pm. There are exceptions for young children and those with medical issues; please check the Town website for more information.

For anyone who may need a hand dealing with these stressful times, please reach out to our Community & Social Services Department. This includes anyone having difficulty purchasing food. Contact information is on our website.

I know that we're all eager to resume our normal lives. I thank everyone for helping by doing your part. Right now, continuing to practice the safety precautions is best way to reduce transmission of the virus.

As always, I wish everyone good health.

Kenneth M. Kellogg  
First Selectman