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**Town of Sandwich, MA-** We are grateful for our community's response and commitment to social distancing and thank you for your continued patience and calm.

The Town now has three (3) confirmed cases of COVID 19 in our community. All direct contacts for each case in the Town of Sandwich have been notified. We expect that the virus will continue to appear throughout the region and in our community. You can help slow the spread of this virus. Commit to social distancing and routine handwashing; only go out when you need to. Make every effort to sustain your personal health; eat healthy food, get outside for fresh air and try to get a good night's sleep.

In abundance of caution and in the interest of the health and wellbeing of our employees and the citizens of Sandwich, town buildings will be closed and some of our staff will be working remotely effective Thursday, March 19, 2020. It is our hope that we will re-open to the public on Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup>. We are making this and other adjustments to our business operations to ensure that we can focus our resources when and where there are needed most.

We recognize that you will be facing challenges in the days and weeks ahead and we are taking steps to continue to provide basic and essential services remotely. For details about specific services please call or check the related departmental pages on the Town of Sandwich Website - [www.sandwichmass.org](http://www.sandwichmass.org)

The Town's COVID 19 Command Team continues to monitor this evolving situation and is working proactively to address the concerns of the community we serve. We will continue to update you regularly.

Again, we thank you for your cooperation and understanding throughout this evolving situation.