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TOWN SUPERVISOR DECLARES STATE OF EMERGENCY

The Town of Amsterdam is taking Steps to Protect Public from Coronavirus/COVID-19

TOWN OF AMSTERDAM— In light of the increase in confirmed cases of Coronavirus/COVID-19 in New York State, Town of Amsterdam Supervisor Thomas DiMezza has declared a State of Emergency for the Town of Amsterdam effective at 1 p.m. today.

The State of Emergency is issued pursuant to Section 24 of New York State Executive Law and is enforceable by local, county and state law enforcement agencies. The State of Emergency will remain in effect through March 31.

The town office building and town garage are closed to the public and only essential employees will need to report to work as necessary.

Montgomery County Public Health would like to remind the public to not go directly to the doctor's office, an emergency room or other healthcare facilities. These simple steps will help prevent the spread of the virus and protect you and your loved ones.

If you are a resident and have recently traveled outside the U.S. and have questions regarding COVID-19, please contact the Montgomery Public Health at 518-853-3531.

For general questions, residents may also contact the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) 2019 Novel Coronavirus hotline at 1-888-364-3065 to speak with a NYSDOH expert who will answer questions. This is open 24 hours a day.