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## **OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

## Statement on Additional Statewide Closures of Business March 19, 2020

This afternoon, Governor Phil Murphy issued an executive order which mandates that any personal care business close until further notice effective 8:00 p.m. this evening. Businesses affected by this order include, but are not limited to, barber shops, hair salons, and nail parlors, spas, tattoo parlors, and social clubs. The state identified these businesses because of their inability to maintain social distancing while performing their work.

This mandate is in addition to current restrictions on hours of operation and occupancy of restaurants and other non-essential retail, recreational, and entertainment businesses.

Today, the governor reiterated his strong commitment to enforcing the existing ban on public gatherings of greater than fifty (50) people.

We remind all residents that non-essential and non-emergency travel in New Jersey is strongly discouraged between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m., and that all public municipal and county parks and recreation facilities are closed.

For the safety of all residents, Verona Police will be monitoring affected areas to ensure that we are complying with fidelity all state, county, and municipal directives.

The Verona Office of Emergency Management is committed to keeping all residents updated as the situation develops. We ask that all members of our community continue to engage in informed practices that prevent the transmission of the 2019 novel Coronavirus.

Thank you for your ongoing cooperation.