





## **EXECUTIVE ORDER #5**

PROTECTION OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY DURING COVID-19
PANDEMIC AND RESPONSE —Re-Opening the Cragin Memorial Library

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, the Governor declared a public health and civil preparedness emergency in the State of Connecticut as a result of the coronavirus disease 2019 outbreak in the United States and confirmed spread in Connecticut

**WHEREAS,** COVID-19 is a respiratory disease that spreads easily from person to person and may result in serious illness or death; and

WHEREAS, to reduce spread of COVID-19, the United States Center for Disease Control and Prevention and the Connecticut Department of Public Health recommend implementation of community mitigation strategies to increase containment of the virus and to slow down the transmission of the virus, including cancellation of large gatherings and social distancing in smaller gatherings; and

**WHEREAS,** the Governor of Connecticut in his Executive Order 7 speaks to the need for social distancing and prohibiting large gatherings;

WHEREAS, positive test results, hospitalizations, and deaths related to COVID-19 continue to meet metrics for the Governor's Phase 1 reopening and indicate that additional, controlled resumption of certain economic and social activity may be conducted safely

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Mary Bylone, First Selectman of the Town of Colchester, under the authority in Section 28a(a), do hereby **DECLARE AND ORDER THAT, effective 8 AM, Tuesday, May 26, 2020**:

- 1. The Cragin Library is open for curbside pickup.
- 2. All scheduled meeting and events remain cancelled or postponed until the Town determines it is appropriate to re-open the Library for meetings.
- 3. The Friends of Cragin Memorial Library's book sale, originally scheduled for March 13-15 will take place beginning June 22, 2020.
- 4. Library materials can be returned in the Library book drop until such time that the Library is open. No late fees will be assessed for the duration of the closure.
- 5. Following the completion of the Book Sale, the Library will be opened the public with limitations. Social distancing, wearing of face masks and limited time in the building will be in place. The ongoing restrictions will be posted in the Library.

These actions will remain in effect until further notice.

**TOWN OF COLCHESTER** 

Witness

BY:

Mary Bylone

First Selectman

Date. \_

Local Time: 3116