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Ladies and Gentlemen,

It continues to be brought to my attention that there are still a number of residents: children, teenagers, young adults and parents who are apparently not taking this as seriously as they should. The CDC recommendations along with those of our own Board of Health have made perfectly clear what is needed to be done in order to mitigate any potential increases in cases of the Covid-19 virus.

Please, for the sake of everyone, let's use our heads and not take anything for granted. Please adhere to the guidelines for sound hygiene and social distancing. We must take seriously the issue of staying out of congregant settings, avoiding mass gatherings and maintaining distance. I urge all parents to refrain from "play dates" with their children until further notice, as well as discourage any gatherings of more than a few people in any one personal residence other than family members. Again, we must take this seriously and need for all parents to get on board and educate their children and young adults accordingly.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please visit our Board of Health website for answers to your questions. We must stay alert and vigilant going forward if we are to end this sooner rather than later. Please adhere to these guidelines and thank you very much for your cooperation going forward. Stay safe and take good care.

Very sincerely yours,

Jim Baldassare
Bernards Township
Mayor