

### **April 12<sup>th</sup> CodeRED Message from Mayor Jay Donecker Regarding COVID-19**

Hello Reidsville citizens, this is Mayor Jay Donecker calling you in reference to the COVID-19 pandemic. While we are all glad to see that COVID-19 related deaths and positive tests are indicating previous actions are showing those numbers may be improving, we still must remain diligent regarding our stay at home orders and social distancing practices. Our society becoming lax in these areas could easily reverse this and possibly see another increase. I think we can all agree it is better to be safe than sorry when considering the lives of our family and friends. This is even more important for our City and County as our COVID-19 tract occurred much later than places such as New York and Washington that experienced both reported individual cases and community spread well before both our state and region.

In addition, I would like to share the following:

- Towards the end of last business week, our County had at least 10 COVID-19 cases (with 2 deaths).
- Our Cone Health Territory had at least 327 COVID-19 cases (with 16 deaths).
- Our State had at least 3,908 COVID-19 cases (with 74 deaths).
- Please remember these numbers are a reflection of very restrictive testing due to not enough test kits being available to test more people.

Finally, I remind you to

- Continue to follow CDC, Federal, and State social distancing and health & safety cleaning procedures for COVID-19.
- Please continue to follow Cone Health's recommendation in contacting your primary physician or Annie Penn Hospital at 336-951-4000 before visiting the Hospital Emergency Room if you believe you have COVID-19 symptoms.
- Please expect another call on Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, as part of our planned weekly updates.
- Take care, be safe and together, we will get through this!