



May 8, 2020

The Honorable Tom Wolf
Governor of Pennsylvania
Room 225 Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120

via email to Will Danowski, Secretary of Legislative Affairs

Dear Governor Wolf:

As elected officials of Lebanon County, this letter serves to inform you of our intention to move from the Red Phase to the Yellow Phase of your COVID-19 Phased Reopening Plan, effective May 15, 2020.

Lebanon County has met the requirement of your original Stay-at-Home Order, which was to flatten the curve of the COVID-19 outbreak and allow hospitals the time to gear up for COVID-19 patients being admitted to the ICU and in need of ventilators. The residents of our county have heeded your instructions to practice social distancing and other mitigation efforts, and as a result, our local healthcare facilities do not lack the capacity to effectively treat these patients going forward. Both PPE supply and the availability of COVID-19 tests have increased since mid-March. These factors have provided our local healthcare facilities with the confidence to address any upcoming concerns as Lebanon County moves to the Yellow Phase.

We, as the local elected officials, have a vested interest in keeping our community safe and free from disease, and not over-burdening the health care facilities in the county. We have heard the pleas of our residents who desire the ability to safely re-open their businesses and safely return to work. Lebanon County plans to move forward and will require businesses who are ready to re-open to follow CDC guidelines including requirements such as hand washing, social distancing, and masks until further guidance is received for the county to move to the Green Phase.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Dave Arnold in blue ink.

Senator, Dave Arnold
48th Senatorial District

Handwritten signature of Russ Diamond in blue ink.

State Representative, Russ Diamond
102nd Legislative District

Handwritten signature of Frank Ryan in blue ink.

State Representative, Frank Ryan
101st Legislative District

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