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East Hampton COVID-19 Response Update May 28, 2020

East Hampton, CT, May 28, 2020 – Again this week, according to the most recent information from the Connecticut Department of Public Health, there has been no increase in the Town of East Hampton's total number of COVID-19 cases. The last figure reported by the Chatham Health District was 42 residents having contracted the illness since tracking began in early March. As noted previously, although there is no confirmation made regarding recovery by any individual, it is presumed that many of these cases have recovered or are recovering. No additional deaths attributable to the disease in East Hampton have occurred.

Testing of residents remains steady at the increased level in keeping with the Statewide efforts toward increased testing. CVS has a drive through testing site available at its East Hampton location. The testing is self-administered at the drive up and only takes a few minutes to complete. Those wanting a test must register online at CVS.com

The Town continues to undertake public meetings via the online platform Zoom. This includes work related to the Town's annual budget approval, which will be completed by the Town Council in accordance with the Governor's Executive Orders. There will be no referendum. As the Council considers the Town's budget, residents who wish to comment may do so by mail to the Town Hall at 1 Community Drive or by email to budget@easthamptonct.gov.

The Chatham Health District and the Town remind residents to "Stay Safe, Stay Home" and be diligent as they continue to avoid contact with others. Wash hands regularly with soap and water for 20 seconds especially after being in public, sneezing, coughing or nose blowing. If soap and water are not available, use hand sanitizer. To further prevent the spread of COVID-19, use a face mask as required, always maintain "social distancing" of at least 6 feet and stay away from groups of people. Protect others by staying home if you are sick, covering coughs and sneezes and regularly cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched surfaces. For the most current updates and recommendations, visit ct.gov/coronavirus. For general questions, call 2-1-1.

This update is anticipated to occur once per week to coincide with Chatham Health District information updates and to facilitate communication in the local press. The next Town update is scheduled for Tuesday, June 2.