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SUPERVISOR BENCZKOWSKI CONTINUES STATE OF EMERGENCY, ENSURES FAIRNESS FOR CHEEKTOWAGA TAXPAYERS

A statement from Supervisor Diane Benczkowski on her continuation of the State of Emergency declaration due to the COVID-19 pandemic:

“I am extraordinarily proud of all the progress that Cheektowagans have made since this pandemic began. As our Town continues to be open, it is important that Cheektowaga residents are not paying for expenses when they can be reimbursed by the federal government. That is why I am continuing my State of Emergency declaration. This way, our purchases of PPE and installation of barriers to prevent the spread of COVID-19 will not be the responsibility of town taxpayers.

As the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer of the Town of Cheektowaga, I am always keen to reduce the amount of pressure on our town’s coffers. For this reason, we will continue to be in a State of Emergency so long as New York State is. We want to make sure that we are not spending from our own funds for required equipment when this declaration makes funding available from other sources.

Once again, however, this will not affect reopening efforts. Our town’s offices are still open by appointment only. Our Senior Center will unlock their doors on August 10th and our services are continuing. We will continue to keep town residents updated on changes as we adjust to a “new normal”. We thank everyone for their patience during these difficult times.”

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