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To: All Milford residents

From: Milford Board of Health

Re: Milford's COVID-19 risk level increase to red

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In the most recent weekly public health report from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Milford's average daily number of cases increased to red, which is the highest risk level. Over sixty other towns and cities are also in the red risk level. Our community has been steadily seeing more cases each day, so this is unfortunate but it is not a surprise.

To go back down to yellow or green, we will need to see fewer cases every day. We will all need to make changes and sacrifices in our daily habits to see fewer cases this coming week. If we continue to see the same number of cases, we will remain in the red.

Red communities are able to have fewer people sit at tables at restaurants. They have lower occupancy limits at all businesses. They also risk schools being in full remote learning instead of having the option to attend in person.

We know this is exhausting, and it is testing our resolve. We must stay on course, and use what we know works:

- Wear your masks.
- Keep six (6) feet of social distance.
- Stay home if you are sick.
- Get tested for COVID-19 if you have any symptoms.
- Do not host or attend large gatherings (limit – 50 outdoors, 25 indoors).