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Township Residents:

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the restrictions currently in place with our parks and playgrounds, I understand the need for outdoor activity, especially with our youth.

My office has received many inquiries and requests for permission to temporarily close, during certain hours, some residential streets to allow safe pedestrian activities including bicycle riding.

To accommodate our residents during the COVID-19 crisis, I will consider temporarily closing some residential streets during certain hours of the day after consultation with the police and fire chiefs.

A "Temporary Municipal Street Closure Application" has been created for this specific purpose. In order for the temporary street closure to be considered, the application must contain signatures of approval of at least 75% of the residents who will be impacted by the street closure.

Completed applications can be returned to the Township Manager's office. Please direct all questions to my executive assistant, Luis DePaz, at 201-837-1600 ext. 1003.

Sincerely,

Dean B. Kazinci
Township Manager

TOWNSHIP OF TEANECK
TEMPORARY MUNICIPAL STREET CLOSURE APPLICATION

I. **GENERAL INFORMATION**: The Street Closure must contain signatures of approval of at least 75% of the residents who will be impacted by the street closure.

II. **CONTACT PERSON FOR THE STREET CLOSURE**:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email _____ Phone: _____

III. **STREET CLOSURE INFORMATION**:

STREET TO BE CLOSED	Street: Between the following Streets:	
STREET CLOSURE DATES	Start Date: End Date:	Start Time: End Time:

IV. **NAMES, SIGNATURES, AND ADDRESSES OF THOSE RESIDENTS IN FAVOR OF THE STREET CLOSURE**: I understand that by signing below I am in agreement with the closure of the above described street for the date(s) above. I understand that I will not be able to access my property while the street is closed: USE BACK IF NEEDED

Name (Printed)	Address	Signature

Use Caution at Intersections

More than 70 percent of bicycle crashes occur at driveways or intersections. Before you enter any street or intersection, check for traffic. Always look left, right and left again, before proceeding into the intersection.

Make Sure Your Bicycle is in Good Working Order and Properly Adjusted

Make sure your tires are properly inflated. Check to see if all parts are secured and working well. The handlebars should be firmly in place and turn easily. Your wheels must be straight and secure, and your bike seat properly adjusted.

Always check the brakes before riding. Ride slowly in wet weather and apply your brakes earlier – it takes more distance to stop.

PRE-RIDE CHECKLIST

- ☑ HELMET PROPERLY FITTED AND FASTENED
- ☑ BRIGHT, VISIBLE AND REFLECTORIZED CLOTHING
- ☑ TIRES PROPERLY INFLATED
- ☑ ALL PARTS SECURED & WORKING
- ☑ HANDLEBARS FIRMLY IN PLACE AND TURN EASILY
- ☑ SEAT PROPERLY ADJUSTED
- ☑ HORN OR BELL WORKING
- ☑ KNOW THE RULES OF THE ROAD
- ☑ RIDE SAFELY

Always Ride Sober and Alert

Riding a bicycle requires the full focus and attention of the rider. Consuming even a small amount of alcohol or drugs can dull the senses, decrease reaction time, and hamper judgment, vision and alertness. Never text, listen to music or use anything that distracts you by taking your eyes, ears or full attention off the road and traffic.

- **Obey all traffic signs and signals.**
- **Ride with traffic.**
- **Make sure your bike has a horn as well as front and rear lights.**
- **Wear bright, visible and reflectorized clothing.**
- **Wear a helmet, it could save your life.**

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A Bicycle is Not a Toy, It's a Vehicle

Every year, bicyclists throughout New Jersey are involved in crashes that result in both injuries and tragically, fatalities. While many of these crashes involve motor vehicles, many do not. Injuries can occur in parks, bike paths and driveways.

Injuries to the head are often the most serious and are the most common cause of death among bicyclists. The most severe injuries are those to the brain that cause permanent damage.

The simple safety tips outlined in this brochure can help reduce the chance of serious injuries occurring when bike riding. Following these guidelines every time you ride will help ensure a safe and enjoyable ride.

Wear a Helmet – It's the Law

New Jersey law states that bike riders under the age of 17 must wear a properly fitted and fastened helmet that meets the standards of the Snell Memorial Foundation, the American Society of Testing and Materials (ASTM) or the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission. Always ensure a proper fit by tightening the chin strap to keep the helmet from slipping. Only two fingers should fit under the chin strap. The extra padding that comes with the helmet can be used to further adjust the fit.

A child who violates the law will be warned of the violation by the enforcing official. The child's parent or legal guardian can be fined up to $25 for the first offense and up to $100 for a subsequent offense. While the law addresses those under the age of 17, all riders are strongly encouraged to wear a helmet.

Bicycles Should be Seen and Heard

Wear clothes that make you more visible. Wearing neon, fluorescent or other bright colors helps you be easily seen by motorists. Under New Jersey law, all bicycles must be equipped with a horn or bell. Use this equipment to alert drivers and pedestrians of your presence.

Avoid Riding at Night

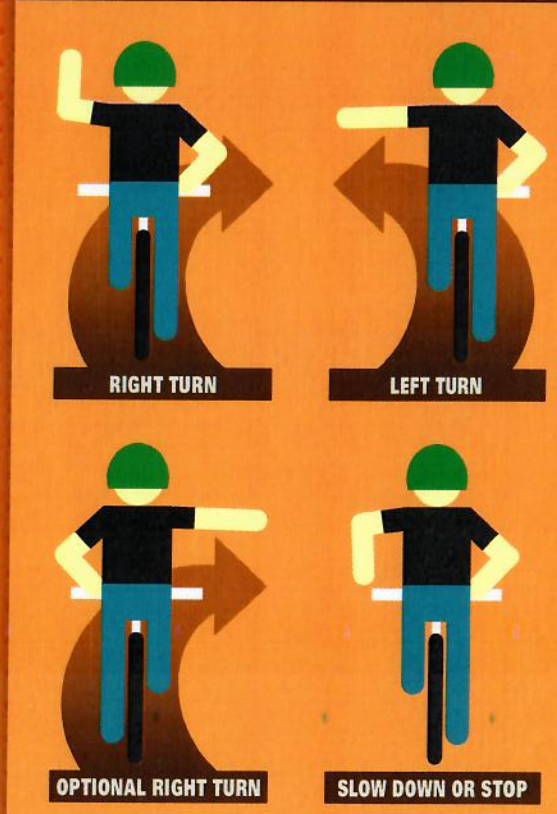
It's far more dangerous to ride a bicycle at night than during the day. Most bicycles are equipped for daylight riding, but need to be adapted for nighttime use.

New Jersey law requires bicycles to be equipped with rear and pedal reflectors. In addition, the bike should have side reflectors or reflective tire sidewalls. If you're planning to ride at night, you must also have a white light installed in front.

Go With the Flow, Ride on the Right Side of the Road with Traffic

Always ride on the right side of the road, with traffic. Ride no more than two abreast (as long as it does not impede the flow of traffic), in a straight, predictable path. Riding against traffic will put you where motorists don't expect you.

Obey All Traffic Laws, Signs and Signals

Bicycles are considered vehicles and must obey the same rules as motorists. Always signal your intentions and be courteous to pedestrians and other vehicle operators.

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