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From the office of the Mayor,
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Well it was only a matter of time before we contracted a positive case in South Harrison.

> "Mayor,
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> You have your first official positive COVID case:
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> As of Saturday morning, April 4, 2020, Gloucester County has conducted 1,475 tests. Of those tests 1,197 are negatives, 251 are positives and 27 are still pending. Gloucester County's total positive COVID-19 cases is 251.   The 220th case is a 40-year-old male from South Harrison."

The weather is nice and most are eager to do yard work and getting stir crazy from being stuck at home. Even though home improvement stores, garden centers etc., are open and considered essential the potential for contracting and spreading this virus is very real.

It's now being recommended to wear a scarf, bandanna, or mask in public places like grocery stores. Practice common sense and limit venturing out unless absolutely necessary.

Many are out of work, unemployment is skyrocketing and small businesses are struggling due to this shutdown. The more diligent we are now the sooner we can get back to work.

For further assistance: New Jersey residents can call 2-1-1 or 1-800-962-1253 with questions. The call center is open 24/7 and has multi-language capacity.

Residents can also text NJCOVID to 898-211 to receive text information and stay informed. To receive live text assistance, text your zip code to 898-211. Please note that the call center is not able to diagnose or give medical recommendations.

Healthcare providers should be contacted if medical advice is needed. People should call their doctor or hospital before going so healthcare staff can provide instructions on getting care. Most people with mild symptoms do not need to be tested.

It is important to stay home and isolate from others while sick.

Please continue to check the CDC at www.cdc.gov and New Jersey Department of Health www.nj.gov/health/websites for updates. The Gloucester County Department of Health can be reached at (856) 218-4101 or by visiting www.gloucestercountynj.gov

Mayor Joseph Marino