Declaration of a State of Emergency
March 17th, 2020

In the interest of protecting Owosso’s most vulnerable population from the rapid transmission of the Novel Corona Virus, the office of Mayor, under the authority of the Owosso City Charter, and Section 10 of Public Act 390, as amended, hereby declares that a state of emergency now exists. This state of emergency will now put in place the following measures:

- All in-person city meetings are henceforth canceled during the state of Emergency. In the interest of the continuance of city business, the Mayor may grant special permission for a meeting to be held.

- The Owosso City Manager’s office is hereby granted discretionary authority to close Owosso City Hall, and place on leave all non-essential, non-emergency personnel. The City Manager shall also exercise sole discretion for which employees will be designated as non-essential.

- Kevin Lenkart, Owosso Public Safety Director, will serve as emergency liaison for emergency management in the City of Owosso.

The Mayor reserves the right to make changes to the stipulations presented herein. At this time, all citizens and local businesses are strongly encouraged to follow established CDC and WHO guidelines as well as those from the Shiawassee Health Department.

This state of emergency does not affect private entities or other public entities not under the governing authority of the City of Owosso. The office of Mayor recognizes that during this unprecedented time, local commerce will remain a crucial element to the survival of Owosso, and the community is encouraged now (and in times of non-crisis) to support the local economy.

Christopher T. Eveleth, Mayor