

Mayor of Woburn Reports City's First COVID-19 Deaths

Mayor Scott Galvin issues the following statement:

"I regret to share that two Woburn residents have died as a result of their contracting COVID-19, the illness associated with the novel coronavirus.

"An 89-year-old resident passed away last night and a 92-year-old resident passed away this morning. Both were beloved mothers and grandmothers and will be deeply missed by their families.

"I have been in contact with the relatives of both residents, and I offer my deepest condolences. I ask that everyone respects the privacy of the families during this time.

"These are the first deaths in our community caused by this awful illness, and we are saddened that it has taken someone from two separate families less than one day apart.

"I want to reassure all of our residents that the City of Woburn will continue to monitor the situation and follow guidance from state and federal officials. Any decisions that are made in response to this crisis will always be made with our residents' health and best interests as the top priority.

"I also want to urge our community to do their part to stop the spread of this illness by closely following public health guidelines. Please stay at home as much as possible. If you must leave your home, please ensure that it is only for an essential purpose.

"I encourage all residents to aggressively practice proper personal hygiene and social distancing. I also ask parents to ensure their children and teenagers understand the critical importance of these precautionary measures.

"Lastly, I encourage you to call, FaceTime or online chat with your family, friends and neighbors. Check in on each other. Though it will take some time, Woburn will get through this, and we will do it together."

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