



## Middlesex County Board of Supervisors

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As a valued and respected business in our community we are asking for your help in the current health crisis to protect the disproportionately vulnerable population of Middlesex County.

In response to updated guidelines from the CDC to avoid discretionary travel and follow the "The President's Coronavirus Guidelines for America", the Middlesex Board of Supervisors are requesting the County's campgrounds, marinas and lodging businesses request their customers to refrain from all discretionary travel to Middlesex County for the next 15 days.

Virginia's Governor Ralph Northam requested voluntary cooperation to help Virginians impacted by COVID-19, stop the spread of the virus in the Commonwealth, and protect public health.

"Everyone must play a role to help flatten the curve and mitigate the spread of this virus, and that starts with social distancing," **said Governor Northam.** "We know this will be a hardship for many businesses, and we are assisting workers affected by closures. Public health relies on every individual using common sense and making responsible decisions. We can and will get through this difficult time. But we must work together to do so."

The median age of the Middlesex County population is 58 years, making this a high-risk population that, if infected, would cause an extraordinary demand on the severely limited healthcare resources available in the area. We the Middlesex Board of Supervisors strongly urge your assistance in protecting our citizens by minimizing visitation, and we thank you sincerely for your support through this challenging time for all of us.

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