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Dear Brockton Business:

The COVID-19 health and economic crisis is causing untold enormous harm to businesses throughout the City. To help business owners get the best information about the available economic assistance programs, I am writing to let you know about what immediate actions my administration and our community partners are taking to help businesses during this difficult time.

I have asked the Metro South Chamber of Commerce to host weekly web conferences with the U.S. Small Business Administration and the Massachusetts Office of Business Development to bring Brockton businesses the most up to date information available. These web conferences/calls are free of charge.

You can watch the webinars and learn more about resources available to small businesses on the City's web page <https://brockton.ma.us/business/covid-19-response/>. I also encourage you to visit the SBA's Coronavirus (COVID-19): Small Business Guidance & Loan Resources page at [sba.gov](https://www.sba.gov) for information and applications for the Paycheck Protection Program.

Last week Congress appropriated an additional \$355 billion for the Paycheck Protection Program which is a loan designed to provide a direct incentive for small businesses to keep their workers on the payroll. SBA will forgive loans if all employees are kept on the payroll for eight weeks and the money is used for payroll, rent, mortgage interest, or utilities.

These next few weeks and months are going to be difficult. I wish the best for you, your families and your businesses. Please do not hesitate to contact my office with additional questions at 508-580-7123.

Sincerely,

Robert F. Sullivan
Mayor
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