

**Va'ad HaRabbonim
of Greater Cleveland**
ועד הרבנים דקליווילאנד

בס"ד

כ"א אדר תש"פ

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Re: COVID - 19

"ונשמרתם מאוד לנפשותיכם" (דברים ד', ט"ו).

It is with a heavy heart that we notify the city of Cleveland that effective immediately, **all shuls and batei midrash will be closed until further notice**, in order to protect our community from the virus which is afflicting בני ישראל and others worldwide ר"ל.

We instruct the community not to make private minyanim, indoors or outdoors, even ones that abide by the recommendation of the Health Department to practice social distancing.

Certainly, we must all be extremely vigilant in refraining from all unnecessary socializing, and should only leave our homes out of necessity (i.e. to buy food). We must be especially careful around those who are immunocompromised.

May we merit *Yeshuos* and *Refuos* soon,
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