



## PENNSYLVANIA STATE ASSOCIATION OF TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

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### **Administration Restates That Municipalities Are Exempt from Current Gathering Limits**

After requests for clarification from PSATS, the Wolf Administration has restated that municipalities were exempt from the original COVID restrictions/orders and remain so. Accordingly, they are not required to comply with the commonwealth's current gathering limits. Townships should, however, consider following the guidance in the current [worker safety orders](#), such as reducing capacity by 50%.

### **Pennsylvania Residents Discouraged from Visiting New York**

Yesterday, New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo added Arizona and Maryland to New York's COVID-19 travel advisory. In addition, Cuomo stated that Connecticut, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania now meet the criteria for the N.Y. travel advisory. However, given the interconnected nature of the region, Cuomo said that a quarantine is not practically viable for these states. Instead, New York is highly discouraging non-essential travel to and from Connecticut, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania while they meet the travel advisory criteria. [Click here](#) for more.

### **Cumberland County Cat Tests Positive for COVID-19**

State Veterinarian Dr. Kevin Brightbill has confirmed Pennsylvania's first COVID-19-positive cat. The elderly, 16 yr old Cumberland County cat lived in a household with multiple individuals who had previously been diagnosed with COVID-19 with mild respiratory illness. The feline, which had to be humanely euthanized due to respiratory distress, is one of only a handful of COVID-19-positive pets from across the U.S. that have died or were euthanized while infected. [Click here](#) for more.