The COVID-19 surge is predicted to peak between April 27 and May 3rd. That is in 10 to 16 days from now. That means that the people who will be victims of that surge will be getting infected in the next few days to weeks. It is crucial that social distancing and infection control measures are respected over the next few days to weeks. Increasing disinfection efforts and awareness are vital. The Governor’s order to wear a mask is strengthening the fight against the COVID-19 virus. It is time to step up our defenses and protect each other. Social distancing and wearing of face coverings will limit the virus’ spread.

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