STATEMENT FROM THE LAKEWOOD CITY COUNCIL

ENCOURAGING SHOPPERS
NOT TO HOARD
OR BUY EXCESSIVE QUANTITIES
OF FOOD AND OTHER ESSENTIALS

March 18, 2020

We are in a public health crisis, and the difficulties we are experiencing individually and as a community are being made worse by hoarding and the resulting shortages of basic household necessities.

While we each feel a need to prepare our households, when we buy and hoard excessive amounts of toilet paper, bottled water, milk, food and other essential supplies, we deny many others in our community the ability to buy any of those items. This leads to shortages in grocery stores and significant worry for many people at a time when they already have significant health, child care, financial and other concerns.

Please shop responsibly at your local grocery store. Buy what you normally would for the next week or two…not what you need for the next three to six months. Leave enough items on the shelves so that everyone can get what they need, and so that you can get what you need again in a week or two.

If we each do this, we give the grocery stores the ability to keep us all supplied with life’s essential products without panic or worry.

Let’s act responsibly and as good neighbors to one another. Remain calm and considerate. Follow the guidelines and directives issues by county, state and federal authorities and help slow the spread of coronavirus. Together, we will get through this unprecedented public health challenge.

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We all need to look out for one another to get through this
Please Shop Responsibly

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