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*****TRAFFIC ALERT*****

NEW JERSEY MARATHON RUNS THROUGH OCEANPORT ON SUNDAY, APRIL 28TH

The Police Department is advising that the 2019 New Jersey Marathon will be starting, and running through Oceanport on Sunday, April 28th. The marathon will begin at Monmouth Park Race Track on Oceanport Ave. Both races (full and half marathons) begin at 7:30am on Oceanport Ave outside of the Racetrack. The race course runs from Oceanport Ave. onto Crescent Place. Runners will then proceed north on Eatontown Blvd to Wolf Hill Ave, east on Pemberton Ave. to Oceanport Ave. Runners will run south to Port au Peck Ave and then east to Myrtle Ave. and make a left turn north on Myrtle Ave to Monmouth Blvd to Port Au Peck Ave. The runners will then turn left north onto Port Au Peck Ave proceed north to Pocano Ave, then south on Comanche Drive. Runners will then turn onto Monmouth Blvd and head over the Pleasure Bay Bridge into Long Branch.

Oceanport Ave between the Main Gate of the Track and Port au Peck Ave will close at 5:30am. Roadways in Oceanport, along and near the marathon route, will close at 7:00am. Roadways will reopen to traffic as the last runners run from west to east, and eventually cross the Pleasure Bay Bridge. All roadways within Oceanport will open to vehicle traffic by approximately 9:30 am. Roadways in the western and central sections of Oceanport will reopen much earlier.

Oceanport Ave from the Main Gate of the Racetrack to Port au Peck Ave will remain closed until 5:00pm.

All residents are asked to plan ahead, as vehicles will not be able to move through the many sections of Oceanport during this time. Residents who reside from Myrtle Avenue and points west can travel out of town via Bridgewater's Drive to Oceanport Ave/Main St. Residents who reside east of Branchport Ave and south of Monmouth Blvd, can travel out of Oceanport via the Branchport Creek Bridge into Long Branch.

Residents that live north of Monmouth Blvd, and who reside in the Port Au Peck section between Monmouth Blvd and Comanche Drive, can pre-position their vehicles and park them legally (do not block driveways or fire hydrants) on Hiawatha and Algonquin Avenues west of Port au Peck Ave. They can then exit Oceanport via Bayview Ave to Monmouth Blvd to Myrtle Ave, and travel west or north by crossing into Little Silver.

Parking will be prohibited on Wolf Hill Ave, Pemberton Ave, Monmouth Blvd, Port au Peck Ave between Monmouth Blvd and Pocano Ave, outside of Blackberry Bay Park on Port Au Peck Ave, Pocano Ave, and Comanche Drive between Pocano Ave and Monmouth Blvd. We ask that all parked vehicles be removed from the above listed roadways the night prior to the event. Any vehicles that remain the morning of the race will be towed. Emergency No parking signs will be posted the night prior to the race.

If an emergency requires you to drive through the Marathon area during this time, contact the Police Department at 732-222-6300 for instructions and assistance.

Event and Race information can be found on www.njmarathon.org.

Any questions in regards to road closures, vehicle access during the race, or parking, can be addressed by calling the Police Department at 732-222-6300, or via email at info@oceanportpolice.org.