Common Sense Precautions Will Help Residents Stay Safe During the Snow Storm

Farmingville, NY - The weather forecast indicates that up to 10 inches of snow could fall in some areas of Brookhaven, so the Town is urging residents to remove parked cars from the street to allow snow removal crews and emergency vehicles to pass unimpeded. Town snow plows will be running all through the night in an effort to clear roads in time for the morning rush hour.

The Town also asks residents to take "common sense" precautions to ensure their safety during inclement weather, including:

- Stay off the roads unless it is absolutely necessary to drive.
- Clear fire hydrants in your area.
- Remove ice and snow from steps, sidewalks and walkways.
- Keep cell phones and other electronic devices charged.
- Have a battery operated radio and a flashlight ready in case of a power outage.
- When shoveling snow, dress warm in layers and avoid over-exertion.
- If you must drive, make sure your tires are properly inflated and windshield wipers are working properly.
- Keep your pets indoors.
- Check on elderly and infirmed friends and neighbors.
- Listen to the local radio or television news for weather updates and emergency notifications.
- When using a generator, place it outdoors and follow all manufacturers' safety precautions.

Residents should call 451-TOWN to report snow related issues. Call 911 for police, fire and ambulance emergencies only. To report a power outage or downed wires, call PSEG at 800-490-0075 or go to www.psegliny.com to file a report online.

Please go to the Town's website at www.brookhaven.org for up-to-date snow storm related news, information, weather updates and emergency contact numbers.

The Town will also be sending out e-mail alerts to residents who have registered on our e-mail list. If you are not on the list, you can sign up today at www.brookhaven.org. Residents can also sign up for countywide Code Red alerts at www.suffolkcountyny.gov.

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