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MAYOR KENNETH J. HOPKINS ANNOUNCES INITIAL ROLL OUT OF COVID-19 VACCINE IN CRANSTON

CRANSTON, RI, January 28, 2021 – Mayor Kenneth J. Hopkins has announced the initial rollout of Cranston’s COVID-19 vaccination program. The RI Department of Health has informed the City that 390 doses of the vaccine can be administered over a three day period beginning Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, February 1-3, 2021. Cranston’s designated regional vaccination center is located at the East Greenwich Swift Community Center, 121 Pierce Street, East Greenwich, RI. Following guidance from the Rhode Island Department of Health, this phase of vaccines will be available to Cranston residents ages 75 and older.

There will be a pre-registration process to be administered by the City of Cranston. Residents interested in pre-registration are to call the Cranston Senior Services Center at (401) 780-6000 on Friday, January 29, 2021 from 9:00am to 4:00pm. At this time, due to the limited allotment of doses available during this initial phase, the vaccine will be administered to Cranston residents according to their date of birth with the 390 oldest residents given priority. RIDOH regulations require resident email addresses in order to pre-register. A government issued ID and proof of residency are also required.

Following pre-registration, qualifying applicants will be contacted by a City representative on Saturday, January 30, 2021 or Sunday, January 31, 2021 to schedule their first and second vaccination appointments. If an applicant is not contacted by a representative for registration on Saturday or Sunday, they would not have met the criteria of the first phase due to limited supply. Those applicants shall likely be eligible in the second vaccine phase, anticipated to be administered in mid-February.

Mayor Hopkins stated, “I am excited to begin the rollout of the COVID-19 vaccine. I will be working diligently to make sure that every dose allocated to our City will be equitably administered. This first phase is a small yet important first step to making the City of Cranston a healthier place.”

