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I would like to thank Karl, Phil, Liz, Jennifer, Erin, and all the Borough and Medical staff who are helping us through the worst pandemic since 1918. Karl, I know from my time on the council and assembly is the most capable employee in our borough. He is honest, hard working, and always reliable. Phil is the best medical center administrator in the 27 years I have lived here. These people are using scientists, epidemiologists, medical researchers, all the top people with the best factual knowledge to keep us keep safe and healthy. I really appreciate all you're doing for our town. I know you have experienced a lot of harassment and vandalism from people who don't want the community protected, and I apologize for you having to endure this. Some people are afraid of facts and prefer conspiracies.

My youngest daughter, a social worker for 20 years, has stage 4 cancer. When she was younger she listened to the cigarette companies and her friends and how smoking is cool and won't hurt you, the medical people and scientist are lying. Smoking won't cause cancer. My grandfathers came to this country as coal miners. The owners of the mines told them they didn't need any masks or protective gear. Coal dust is harmless, don't listen to "those" people". They both died before their 50th birthday. Please be patient and continue passing on the facts and helping us fight this horrible pandemic. In my 71 years I have never experienced anything like this. And people please remember to wash your hands, social distance, and wear a mask when around others. Remember your commandments, "thou shalt not kill", and "thou shalt not Covid they neighbor", be kind. John Havrilek