



## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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### **City of Paterson Issues Weather Alert: Frigid Weather Predicted for this Weekend**

(February 12, 2016) – Paterson, NJ) The City of Paterson is issuing the following weather alert and tips, during the frigid weather predicted for this weekend.

**Your safety is important to us: Please contact the city's 'No Heat' Hotline, (973) 321-1277 should you need to report a 'no heat' incident.**

### **SPECIAL WEATHER STATETMENT: NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE**

**DANGEROUSLY COLD AIR THIS WEEKEND, WITH BITTERLY COLD TEMPERATURES WILL MOVE INTO THE AREA THIS WEEKEND.**

**TEMPERATURES SATURDAY NIGHT INTO EARLY SUNDAY MORNING WILL FALL TO AROUND ZERO IN AND AROUND THE METROPOLITAN AREA.**

**TEMPERATURES WILL FALL FROM 5 TO 10 BELOW ACROSS INTERIOR PORTIONS OF NORTHEAST NEW JERSEY AND WIND CHILL VALUES DURING THIS TIME COULD REACH LIFE THREATENING LEVELS AS COLD AS 20 TO 30 BELOW ZERO**

**COLD SPELLS OF THIS MAGNITUDE BRING A RISK OF FROSTBITE AND HYPOTHERMIA FOR ANYONE WHO DOES NOT TAKE PROPER PRECAUTIONS**

**Your safety is important to us, so please:**

- Never venture outdoors without wearing gloves, a hat and several layers of clothing
- Take extra steps to check on the elderly and disable residents and keep your pets warm and know their limits to the cold
- Never use a gas range, or kerosene heaters to warm a room or apartment, or use an open flame to melt frozen pipes

- Remember to check your carbon monoxide and smoke detectors for proper operation and replace their batteries at least once every year
- Check tire pressure and your car battery and be sure your car has a winter safety kit that includes blanket and warm clothes and gloves in case your car breaks down or becomes stranded

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