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text of automated call to Hamden residents:

Good Evening:

This is Mayor Scott Jackson with a storm update for Wednesday covering school closings, road clearing efforts and other important safety announcements.

This message will be displayed on the town website, at www.hamden.com, and on the Town of Hamden facebook page.

All Hamden Public Schools will remain closed on Thursday. The Board of Education will be making day to day determinations as to when school will re-open.

Monday, I reported that our goal was to have 99% of roads passable by this afternoon. I am pleased to report that we met that goal nine hours early. We are currently widening roads and transporting large snow piles from roads and intersections.

Unfortunately, due to the high levels of snow and the need to move the snow in non-traditional ways, some driveway aprons are getting re-covered from the pushed snow. Please be assured that the town is working to clear aprons that have been covered by a level of snow that the average person would not be able to move. Furthermore, I have also suspended the town's sidewalk clearing policy so that our residents will not be required to clear such heavy snow several times.

We have created a list of private contractors available to homeowners for shoveling and plowing services should you need it. Please contact the Mayor's Office at 203-287-7100 for contact information for these contractors.

Finally an important safety request: When out driving, please drive slowly and carefully. Please use extra caution at intersections as sight lines around corners are very challenging and motor vehicles cannot see other motor vehicles coming out of intersections.

I would like to thank all of you for your patience and understanding as we work our way through this storm. I am inspired by the many demonstrations of kindness and assistance that so many of you have provided to your neighbors. These stories are many and show why Hamden's strong community spirit and demonstrate why our Town is special and unique.

As always call 911 for emergencies. For non-emergency assistance, please call 203-230-4000. We will continue to have regular updates at www.hamden.com and on the Town of Hamden facebook page.