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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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The Township of Livingston has arranged with RTS, Inc., our regular garbage contractor, for a special collection of Tropical Storm Ida storm-damaged debris. The storm-damaged debris will be collected on a three-day/three-route – schedule the same as normal end-of-month bulk collection. To permit residents with sufficient time to place debris out for collection, we have scheduled this pickup for the week of September 13th. Please note that this is a one-time collection.

The hauler will be in town on **Thursday September 16th, Friday, September 17th and Saturday, September 18th** to pick up **storm-damaged debris ONLY**. Please limit to miscellaneous material (rugs, furniture, misc. items) damaged by the storm that *would* otherwise be eligible for normal bulk pickup.

DO NOT INCLUDE:

- Electronics, which are not eligible for pickup and must be disposed of through the electronics recycling program at a scheduled event
 - livingstonnj.org/ElectronicsEvents
- White Goods (metal appliances such as washers, dryers, refrigerators, freezers), which are collected by the Township by online request here:
 - livingstonnj.org/MetalRequest
- Hazardous or other materials not eligible for regular collection. Visit:
 - livingstonnj.org/SpecialDisposal

If you have a contractor or insurance-paid restoration company doing any type of cleanup, the contractor is responsible for removing debris. If the cleanup consists of an entire basement, room, or house you will need to obtain your own container/dumpster.

This service is for **TROPICAL STORM IDA-DAMAGED DEBRIS ONLY.**

This special pickup is NOT being provided as an additional normal “bulk pickup” collection or an opportunity to put “Spring Cleaning” type trash out for collection. The Township and our hauler reserve the right to refuse collection of clearly non-storm-damaged debris.

The Township will be seeking FEMA Disaster Relief reimburse for the expenses of this special storm-related damage debris collection. However, FEMA disaster reimbursements for debris removal are strictly limited to storm-related damage and debris.

If residents fail to follow these instructions by including non-storm-related debris it will jeopardize the Township’s ability to obtain FEMA reimbursement. If we are denied reimbursement, the cost will have to be passed on to the taxpayers.

Therefore, it is critical that residents **do not put out any regular bulk or household trash items** that would normally be picked up on their regular end-of-month bulk pickup day or their regularly scheduled trash pickup day.

