

## COUNTY JUDGE JACQUES L. BLANCHETTE

June 26, 2020

To the Citizens of Tyler County,

Earlier today Governor Abbott issued Executive Order GA-28 in an effort to slow the spread of COVID-19 in Texas. This order became effective at noon today, and supersedes his previous order GA-26.

Per my Third Executive Order issued on April 30, 2020, all current and future orders of the Governor related to the COVID-19 pandemic, unless amended or terminated by the Governor, shall be recognized as the Statutory guidance for the conduct of all citizens of Tyler County.

Please note the following requirements included in GA-28 that are different from GA-26:

- Any outdoor gathering in excess of 100 people is prohibited unless the mayor of the city in which
  the gathering is held, or the county judge in the case of a gathering in an unincorporated area,
  approves of the gathering.
- Beginning at 12:01 a.m. on June 29, 2020, dine-in services by restaurants may only operate at up to 50% of the total listed occupancy.
- Bars shall close.
- Staff members are not included in determining operating levels, except for manufacturing services and office workers.

Please be reminded of the following, per the Governor's previous and current orders:

- Except as provided in the Governor's order, people should not be in groups larger than ten and should maintain six feet of social distancing from those not in their group.
- Nothing in the Governor's order or the DSHS minimum standards precludes requiring a customer
  to follow additional hygiene measures when obtaining services. Individuals are encouraged to wear
  appropriate face coverings, but no jurisdiction can impose a civil or criminal penalty for failure to
  wear a face covering.

Please continue to use safety precautions to protect yourself, your loved ones, and all citizens of Tyler County.

Sincerely,

