IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF KANSAS CITY, KANSAS

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Administrative Order 20-004 KCKS Municipal Court

RE: Expanded Response to the 2020 Pandemic Disease: Jail Order

The mission of Kansas City, Kansas Municipal Court is to serve its citizens with fairness, honesty, and integrity. Additionally, Kansas City, Kansas Municipal Court works to be fair and reliable for all citizens.

In February of this year, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) issued Interim Guidance recommending that all employers consider how best to decrease the spread of COVID-19. On March 11, 2020 the World Health Organization (WHO) declared COVID-19 a pandemic. On March 12, 2020 Kansas Governor Laura Kelly declared a state of emergency to address this developing threat. On March 13, 2020 Mayor/CEO David Alvey of the Unified Government of Kansas City, Kansas/Wyandotte County declared a state of emergency to combat the spread of COVID-19. On March 13, 2020 the President of the United States declared a national emergency. These declarations warrant extraordinary measures to mitigate COVID-19 spread.

COVID-19 presents a threat of imminent and potentially lethal harm to vulnerable individuals who may come in contact with a carrier of COVID-19. A significant number of identified cases of COVID-19 have been reported in Wyandotte County and across Kansas and is projected these numbers will significantly increase. The rapid escalation of the emergency requires more comprehensive measures to protect the health and safety of our citizens, including our employees and judges. Further, the City of Kansas City, Kansas may close all buildings in response to the COVID-19 emergency.

It is hereby ORDERED that effective, Friday, April 17th, 2020:

- 1. The Administrative Judge will conduct a daily review of all persons booked in the Wyandotte County Jail for Kansas City, Kansas warrants, including Saturday and Sunday, while this order is in effect.
- In order to protect the health and safety of our citizens in the Wyandotte County Jail, including Wyandotte County Sheriff Department, correctional employees, and inmates we will continue our video public defender docket as scheduled. All efforts will be made to limit appearances to those being detained only on Kansas City, Kansas Municipal Court warrants.
- 3. All bonds posted at the Wyandotte County Jail will receive a court appearance date on or after June 6, 2020.

Kansas City, Kansas Municipal Court will review this order for possible extension in order to reduce the risk of exposure based on our evaluation of developing data and public health recommendations regarding the current pandemic.

BY THE ORDER OF COURT on the 17th day of April, 2020.

Brandelyn Nichols-Brajkovic

Administrative Judge

Kansas City, Kansas Municipal Court