EXECUTIVE ORDER 20-030
JEFFERSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

WHEREAS, Jefferson County, Missouri, is being impacted by the worldwide spread
of COVID-19 which may, in time, impact Jefferson County, Missouri; and,

WHEREAS, the President of the United States and the Governor of the State of
Missouri, have both declared States of Emergency; and,

WHEREAS, it is likely the disease will eventually spread in Jefferson County; and,

WHEREAS, the spread of infectious diseases poses a significant risk to the health,
safety and wellbeing of the people of Jefferson County, Missouri; and,

WHEREAS, measures to limit the spread of this virus may place a strain upon the
resources of citizens, businesses, municipalities and the County of Jefferson; and,

WHEREAS, Jefferson County may establish relationships and work cooperatively
with other governmental units in matters relating to public health, safety and welfare
and all other governmental functions in which the people of Jefferson County, Missouri,
could gain through those cooperative relationships in this time of emergency; and,

WHEREAS, the Jefferson County, Missouri, County Executive has the authority to
declare a State of Emergency in Jefferson County, Missouri.
NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED BY THE JEFFERSON COUNTY, MISSOURI, EXECUTIVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Jefferson County, Missouri, County Executive hereby declares that a State of Emergency exists in Jefferson County, Missouri, and hereby invokes and declares in full force and effect all laws, statutes and regulations of the State of Missouri and Jefferson County, Missouri, for the exercise of all necessary emergency authority for the protection of the lives and property of the people of Jefferson County, Missouri, and the continuity of local government with a minimum of interruption.

Section 2. All public offices and employees of Jefferson County, Missouri, are hereby directed to exercise the utmost diligence in discharge of duties required of them for the duration of the emergency and in the execution of emergency laws, regulations, and directives, at the Federal, State and Local Level and to cooperate to the fullest extent with the Jefferson County, Missouri, Health Department.

Section 3. All citizens are also called upon and directed to comply with necessary emergency measures, to cooperate with public officials, the Jefferson County Emergency Management Agency as well as the Jefferson County, Missouri Health Department in executing emergency operational plans, and to obey and comply with the lawful directions of properly identified public officers.

Section 4. Employees of Jefferson County government are hereby ordered to immediately initiate the provisions of low-touch, low-contact services to the greatest extent possible.
Section 5. The Jefferson County, Missouri, Municipal Court shall postpone and reschedule all dockets, hearings, trials, and other proceedings during the State of Emergency. The Judge, Municipal Prosecutor, and Clerk of the Municipal Court shall undertake such actions as are necessary and that may be appropriate in these circumstances to carry out the intent of this Order.

Section 6. This State of Emergency shall be effective as of 6:00 p.m. on March 13, 2020 and remain in effect until 12:00 noon on April 13, 2020 unless otherwise rescinded or extended.

Section 7. If any part of this Order is invalid for any reason, such invalidity shall not affect the remainder of this Order.

SO ORDERED AND APPROVED THIS 13th DAY OF MARCH, 2020.

Dennis Gannon, Jefferson County, Missouri, Executive