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PRESS RELEASE

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

JACKSON COUNTY ANNOUNCES REDUCED HOURS OF OPERATION

Jackson County Sheriff, Bob Burns and Jackson County Board Chair, Keith Larkin announce the Jackson County Courthouse will reduce hours of operation. With the first cases of COVID-19 confirmed in Jackson County, the Jackson County Sheriff, along with the County Board and Jackson County Health officials have determined that it is in the best interest of county employees and the general public that public hours of operation be reduced.

Effective, Monday, March 23, 2020 the Jackson County Courthouse will be **open to the public as follows:**

Monday: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Wednesday: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Friday: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

All Jackson County Courthouse offices request that individuals needing to conduct business at the courthouse call prior to arrival at the courthouse. Courthouse office numbers are as follows:

- Jackson County Board: 687-7240
- Jackson County Circuit Clerk: 687-7300
- Jackson County State's Attorney: 687-7200
- Jackson County Clerk and Recorder: 687-7360
- Jackson County Treasurer: 687-7350
- Jackson County Courts: 687-7330

All offices and staff will continue to perform essential services of their respective offices in order to serve the people of Jackson County.

The Jackson County Courts remain open. Essential hearings will be conducted during courthouse hours as indicated above. Emergency hearings and other essential matters will be scheduled as needed, regardless of reduced building hours of operation. The office of the Courts and the office of the Circuit Clerk will be open via telephone during normal business hours, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Attorneys and litigants requesting hearings should contact the Circuit Clerk at 687-7300.

The Jackson County Sheriff and the Jackson County Board remain in constant contact with local emergency and health related agencies in order to continually evaluate the COVID-19 situation. The current situation is one that presents challenges to the County's normal operations. We will continue to make changes as necessary and communicate those changes to the general public and citizens of Jackson County. We ask your cooperation and patience as we work to minimize the risk to those utilizing the courthouse and county government. We will continue to perform essential duties of our respective offices as well as mandated functions, while protecting the citizens of Jackson County.

All communications related to the functions of the Jackson County Courthouse should be directed to the Jackson County Board and the Jackson County Sheriff.