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## JEFFERSON COUNTY COMMISSION DECLARES STATE OF EMERGENCY AND IMPLEMENTS CURFEW FROM 7 P.M. – 6 A.M. THROUGH JUNE 9

**Birmingham, AL** – In an emergency meeting today the Jefferson County Commission voted to declare a state of emergency and implemented a curfew beginning at 7 p.m. – 6 a.m., June 2, 2020 – June 9, 2020.

While the curfew is in effect no person shall:

- Hold or participate in any demonstration, parade, march, or vigil on any of the public ways or upon any public property.
- Travel on any public street, alley or roadway or on any other public property, except those:
  - o In search of medical assistance, religious services, food, or other commodity or service necessary to sustain the well-being of themselves or their families;
  - o To travel through the County to another location, or returning to one's residence or place of employment, or legally mandated government purposes, or an order of law enforcement or a court;
  - o Or those attending school related events or activities.
- These restrictions do not apply to employees of utilities, cable and telecommunications companies and their contractors engaged in activities necessary to maintain or restore utilities, official emergency management personnel, or any other class of persons deemed essential to the preservation of public order and immediately necessary to serve the safety, health and welfare needs to the citizens of Jefferson County including:
  - o Law enforcement officers
  - o Firefighters
  - Public employees
  - o Doctors and nurses and employees of hospitals or other medical facilities
  - o Persons providing legal services or are a part of the judicial system
  - o On duty military personnel whether state or federal
  - Public transportation companies
  - o Newspaper, magazine, radio broadcasting and television corporations

The curfew will be enforced by Jefferson County Sheriff's Deputies in unincorporated parts of the County and municipalities within the County will have the authority to enforce the curfew with their law enforcement agency.

Any person violating this resolution, on conviction, can be fined \$500, and/or imprisoned, or sentenced to hard labor for the county for no more than six-months. (Alabama Code 1975 31-9-22)

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