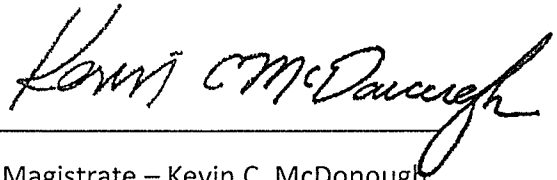


MAYOR'S COURT
CITY OF READING, OHIO

In response to the recent outbreak of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) in Ohio. There are multiple confirmed cases of COVID-19, in response to which the President of the United States Donald J. Trump has declared a national State of Emergency, and the Governor of the State of Ohio, Michael DeWine, as declared a State of Emergency in Ohio (Executive Order 2020-01D) which, among other restrictions, limits large indoor gatherings. The Governor's Declaration follows the Center of Disease Control and Prevention "Interim Guidance," recommending that all employers consider how best to decrease the spread of COVID-19, including the review of guidance from state and local health officials. Interim Guidance for Businesses and Employers to Plan and Respond to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), February 2020, <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus2019-ncov/specific-groups/guidance-business-response.html> (last updated February 26, 2020).

In light of the foregoing, it is HEREBY ORDERED that all pending cases, including any arraignments and trials, in the Reading Mayor's Court are hereby continued to May 19, 2020, or a date as determined by further order of this Court. The Court further finds that given the circumstances involving the outbreak and the effect of it on the public health and the availability of counsel and court staff to be present in the courtroom, the time period of the continuances implemented by this general order will be excluded under R.C. 2945.72(H), "Extension of Time for Hearing or Trial, " as the Court specifically finds that the end of justice served by ordering the continuances outweigh the best interests of the public and any defendant's right to a speedy trial. This Court shall be in recess until that date.

Dated: March 16th 2020


Magistrate – Kevin C. McDonough