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PRESS RELEASE

**Beginning Monday, June 1, 2020, the City of Phoenix Municipal Court to Require the Wearing of Masks, Face Coverings, or Face Shields as Required by the Arizona Supreme Court**

(Phoenix, Ariz. – May 21, 2020) To provide guidance and direction in transitioning all Arizona courts back to full operations from the COVID-19 public health emergency declared in March, 2020 by Arizona Governor Doug Ducey, the Arizona Supreme Court, the governing authority of all Arizona courts, has issued Administrative Order 2020-079. The order directs all Arizona courts to implement plans to prevent all, or a substantial portion of court personnel from becoming infected with COVID-19 and/or requiring quarantine resulting from work related contact. As a part of accomplishing this objective and as related to masks, face coverings, and face shields, the Arizona Supreme Court has mandated the following to begin on Monday, June 1, 2020:

- only members of the general public wearing masks or face coverings will be allowed into the Phoenix Municipal Court building and entry shall be denied to those choosing not to cooperate.
- all Phoenix Municipal Court staff, including judicial officers, shall wear masks, face coverings, or face shields during any in-person contact with court personnel or the public.

The Phoenix Municipal Court is required to, and will be following the Arizona Supreme Court's mandate to protect the public and court staff while continuing to provide court services in a manner to achieve "Justice Through Excellence."

Any individuals with business before the Court are encouraged to call 602.262.6421 or email [court@phoenix.gov](mailto:court@phoenix.gov) with any questions.