

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

In keeping with Executive Order 1473 Governor Tate Reeves discussed this morning, I am thrilled to announce that starting Monday, April 20, at 8:00 a.m., all non-essential businesses in the City of Ridgeland may begin operating via curbside, drive-thru and delivery services, where feasible.

Therefore, effective Monday morning, I am hereby lifting my April 1 Executive Order for certain business closures which was previously set to continue until April 30. In keeping with Gov. Reeves's announcement and Executive Order 1473, I now announce the following changes to my April 1 Executive Order:

- 1. All salons may now offer curbside pick-up for products and merchandise only.
- 2. Dog groomers may offer curbside services as long as there are no more than 10 people in the building, operating 6 feet apart.
- 3. All parks in the City of Ridgeland will reopen but the bathrooms and water fountains will remain closed. Social distancing is a MUST.
- 4. Essential businesses may continue to operate following national health guidelines.
- 5. Gyms, work-out facilities, trampoline parks and theaters will remain closed.

Along with this announcement, I encourage everyone to continue to observe the national and state health guidelines such as:

- monitor social distancing of 6 feet
- avoid gatherings of ten or more people
- wear mask/cloth face coverings
- wash hands frequently
- avoid touching face

I also remind everyone that the City of Ridgeland, and the State of Mississippi, continue to remain under the Governor's March 14 emergency declaration and my March 17 Emergency Proclamation. My initial proclamation of Emergency from March 17 will continue until the Board of Aldermen determines there is no longer a need for the continuing emergency.

If you have questions, please contact my office at 601-856-7113.

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