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**COMMON PLEAS**  
**MONTGOMERY COUNTY**

**COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, JUVNILE DIVISION**  
**MONTGOMERY COUNTY, OHIO**

**IN RE: MONTGOMERY COUNTY                   \***  
**JUVENILE COURT                         \***  
**OPERATIONS                            \*     ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER**  
  
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Judge Anthony Capizzi, Administrative Judge of the Montgomery County Juvenile Court hereby issues this Administrative Order in response to the public health emergency created by the outbreak of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID – 19). There are multiple confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the State of Ohio, in response to which the Governor of the State of Ohio, Michael DeWine, has issued an Executive Order declaring a State of emergency, which among other things, limits large indoor gatherings. Local officials at the County and City level have followed suit. The Governor’s declaration follows the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), “Interim Guidance,” recommending that all employers consider how best to decrease the spread of COVID-19.

Given the severity of the risk posed to the public, the CDC mandate, and Governor’s declaration, it is hereby ordered that effective Tuesday, March 17, 2020:


1) All trials, hearings and proceedings in delinquency, traffic, civil and abuse, neglect and dependency and adult cases are hereby suspended and continued until after May 4, 2020 until further order of this Court, except the following types of hearings:

- a) Initial Hearing for Detained Youth;
- b) Emergency Removal / Shelter Care Hearings;
- c) Ex Party Orders in Civil Actions;
- d) Ex Party Juvenile Protection Orders.

2) In all Montgomery County Juvenile Court matters that are currently pending, Counsel and any Pro Se parties shall be contacted by the Court Services Department that their matter is continued and that a future Court date by notice and summons will be issued with the new Court date.

3) The Court specifically finds the public health interests are paramount and the ends of justice are best served by this Administrative Order and that Ohio Revised Code § 2151.01 and that Ohio Juvenile Rules of Procedure Rule 1 and Rule 18 provide the Administrative Judge broad discretion in executing this Order.

**IT IS SO ORDERED:**

  
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DATE: 3-16-20

**ANTHONY CAPIZZI, ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY JUVENILE COURT**