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**INFORMATION RELEASE**

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**FULTON COUNTY OPERATING WITH REDUCED STAFFING LEVELS, SOME LOCATIONS CLOSING TO WALK-IN SERVICE**

As a precautionary measure related to the Corona Virus (COVID-19) spread, and in accordance with the recent Executive Order issued by Governor Andrew Cuomo, Fulton County government has reduced its staffing levels by 50 percent through 31 March 2020. In addition, most County office locations will close to walk-in service effective 23 March.

County government continues to operate to provide necessary services to residents; however, residents and/or business owners are expected to contact County departments utilizing U.S. mail, email or other internet service. County employees are working very hard to continue services uninterrupted and to ensure those in need can access important care or referrals. The order by the Governor to dramatically curtail staffing levels during this unprecedented emergency is expected to increase wait times and local officials ask the public to be patient during this period. If you need assistance, please call the Department in advance to inquire about office hour changes and updates.

Chairman of the Board of Supervisors explained the current circumstances. “Our County Public Health Department, Emergency Management Office, Sheriff’s Department and other emergency services departments are doing an excellent job. Our employees are working hard to keep things going and I’m proud of their response to this challenge. Our Department Heads worked together very well to prepare a solid reduced staffing plan to deal with this temporary situation.”

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