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Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office Suspends Evictions During Coronavirus Crisis

(CHARLOTTE, NC) - Pursuant to the discretion provided yesterday in Chief Justice Beasley's Order regarding extensions of time and periods of limitation, the Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office is suspending its enforcement of court-ordered evictions until April 17, 2020. Sheriff McFadden in a press conference on Monday, March 16th asked the courts to take action during this State of Emergency. Sheriff McFadden has always maintained that his Office will follow the law and is grateful that the courts recognized a need for a different approach during this pandemic.

Sheriff McFadden says; "Removing people from their homes during this crisis is simply not in the best interest of our community or public safety. I hope that this temporary delay of evictions will provide some relief to those facing hardships as we weather this pandemic."