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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 16<sup>th</sup> 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."