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City of Gary COVID-19 update

Greetings. This is Mayor Jerome A. Prince with today's City of Gary COVID-19 update for Apr. 30, 2020.

We continue to follow Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb's extended Stay-At-Home order. I anticipate the governor will begin to ease restrictions very soon.

Unfortunately, we lost three more of our neighbors since our last report. We now have lost 15 Gary residents to the COVID-19 disease. Statewide, we have lost 1,007 Indiana residents to this disease. On behalf of my family and all of our residents, our hearts and prayers go out to the loved ones of those neighbors we've lost in Gary and throughout the State.

The number of reported positive COVID-19 test results rose significantly overnight by 15 new cases, from a total of 399 cases to 414 total cases.

Clearly, the fight against this deadly disease is not over. We have a long way to go. We are still seeing too many of our residents contracting this disease. I believe we will see a surge over the next few weeks.

My team and I are working on a plan for City employees to return to work. We are carefully building a phased-in return to work plan. We will announce more details soon.

This Friday, I will host our daily City of Gary COVID-19 update on the Reimagine Gary page on Gary.gov and our social media pages. We will have several guests on the program. Once we complete the update, I will host a virtual press conference to discuss updates in the Lake St. construction project. Media personnel will have the opportunity to ask questions in real time online.

Updates

# of Indiana residents COVID-19 tested:	94,998
# of Indiana residents COVID-19 positive:	17,835
# of Indiana COVID-19 related deaths:	1,007
# of Lake County residents COVID-19 tested:	8,340
# of Lake County residents COVID-19 positive:	1,846
# of Lake County COVID-19 related deaths:	83
# of Porter County residents COVID-19 tested:	1,687
# of Porter County residents COVID-19 positive:	238
# of Porter County COVID-19 related deaths:	7
# of Gary residents COVID-19 positive:	414
# of Gary COVID-19 related deaths:	15

Closing

Please continue to use good social distancing techniques as you interact with your family and friends. Also, please limit your travel to work and essential business only.

Just as we have a long way to go, it's important we all remain vigilant to control the spread of the COVID-19 disease. Please remain calm and patient, and we will get through this together.

