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MONROE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE REQUIRED TO TEMPORARILY SUSPEND SOCIAL JAIL VISITATIONS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY DUE TO NEW YORK STATE 'ORANGE ZONE' DESIGNATION

Rochester, NY (**November 24, 2020**) – On today's date, the Monroe County Sheriff's Office suspended Monroe County Jail in-person social visitations indefinitely based upon New York State's 'Orange Zone' designation. In doing so, the Monroe County Sheriff's Office is in compliance with the directive issued by the New York State Commission of Correction. Professional/essential visits remains available to incarcerated individuals. The safety of the Monroe County community, inmates, and staff remains a top priority of the Sheriff's Office during these unprecedented times as we continue to navigate this global pandemic.

MCSO understands visitation is an essential part of corrections and important to families and inmates. In an effort to continue these relationships, tele-visits remain available in all housing areas in the Monroe County Jail. Video visitations can be scheduled online by visiting www.securustech.net. MCSO will also begin offering additional phone calls for each incarcerated individual at no cost. If the stoppage of visitation continues for a prolonged period, MCSO will re-evaluate this procedure.

The MCSO COVID Command Post (CCP) has remained in operation throughout the pandemic. Thanks to the continued efforts of the deputies at the CCP, MCSO is able to react immediately to the guidelines issued by the state, as well as continue to ensure implementation of the safest health practices to prevent the spread of the Coronavirus.

The Monroe County Jail currently has no COVID positive cases.

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