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INDIVIDUAL DISPLAYING SYMPTOMS CONSISTENT WITH COVID-19
REFUSES TESTING AND TO COMPLY WITH A MONROE COUNTY HEALTH
DEPARTMENT ORDER TO ISOLATE AND QUARANTINE; INDIVIDUAL
RELOCATED TO MCSO SECURE BRIGHTON FACILITY

Brighton, NY (April 3, 2020) – Last evening, April 2, 2020, at approximately 9:30 p.m., the Monroe County Department of Public Health imposed a civil order placing a non-compliant individual displaying symptoms consistent with COVID-19 and refusing testing, in secure isolation. The individual was given multiple opportunities to comply with the health department order.

Monroe County has had a plan in place for weeks, working in collaboration with the Monroe County Public Health Department, Monroe County Sheriff’s Office, NYS Supreme Court Justice Craig J. Doran, and the Monroe County Attorney, preparing for this potential scenario.

The Monroe County Public Health Department has determined the individual’s non-compliance with a health order of isolation endangers the safety, health and well-being of the citizens of Monroe County. Based on the Monroe County Department of Public Health order, specially trained MSCO deputies detained and transported the individual to Strong Memorial Hospital for evaluation, and then to the MCSO Brighton facility, located at 750 E. Henrietta Rd.; a pre-planned location to quarantine individuals failing to comply.

Prior to placing any individual at the Brighton facility, whether for a suspected COVID-19 case in the Monroe County Jail (MCJ) or the need for civil confinement, MCSO transferred all incarcerated individuals at the Brighton facility to the Monroe County Jail, located at 130 S. Plymouth Ave., Rochester. The transferred individuals were placed in their own secure area inside MCJ. There are no COVID-19 cases in the Monroe County Jail downtown.

Specially trained MSCO deputies are staffing the newly established quarantine location in Brighton.

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