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Clerk of the Court
Superior Court of CA County of Santa Clara
BY  DEPUTY
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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA


STANDING ORDER OF THE COURT
PERMITTING SHERIFF' OFFICE 72 HOURS TO
RELEASE INMATES AND AUTHORIZING THE
MEDICAL DIRECTOR TO FURTHER DELAY RELEASE

To the Sheriff of Santa Clara County:

1. The County of Santa Clara is amid a declared public health emergency. The Director of Emergency Services proclaimed a local emergency and the County Public Health Officer proclaimed a local health emergency on February 3, 2020, based on conditions of extreme peril and the imminent and proximate threat to public health relating to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).
2. Santa Clara Valley Health System, Adult Custody Health Division Medical Director Dr. Alexander Chyorny, in collaboration the Public Health Officer, has advised the criminal justice partners that reducing the jail population is necessary to implement public health measures.
3. On March 16, 2020, this court suspended all non-essential functions for three weeks or until such order is lifted. This order was made in response to the County of Santa Clara's "shelter in place" orders, effective Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at 12:01 a.m.
4. The criminal justice partners are working closely together to release a significant volume of inmates. Some inmates require significant discharge planning due to their The high number of inmates being processed for release has the potential to overload the abilities of those agencies involved in accomplishing discharge planning (e.g, medication discharges, health care linkage, housing solutions.)
5. Based on the urgency of the health crisis, the challenges presented by the large volume of releases, and the stipulation between the People and the defense at a hearing held on March 17, 2020 at 1:30 p.m. in Department 41, the court makes the following orders:

- 1 a. Effective immediately, the Sheriff's Office has up to 72 hours to process inmates
2 for release.
- 3 b. Effectively immediately, the Medical Director of Adult Custody Health may
4 further delay the release of an inmate if, in the discretion of the Medical
5 Director, that inmate's medical needs cannot be safely addressed in the
6 community. In this event, Adult Custody Health, by and through County
7 Counsel, shall notify the inmate's defense office of this determination.

8 IT IS SO ORDERED.

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12 JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
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