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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION CIRCUIT COURT
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COUNTY OF MARION) 19th JUDICIAL COURT

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Myra A. Eldridge
CLERK OF THE MARION CIRCUIT COURT

ORDER ON PROTECTIVE FACIAL COVERINGS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING

WHEREAS, the Marion Circuit and Superior Courts have implemented operational changes in response to the COVID-19 public health emergency over the 18 months, including an original Order on Protective Facial Coverings and Six (6) Foot Distancing issued on June 9, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Marion Circuit and Superior Courts rescinded said order on June 30, 2021 in light of improved health conditions in Marion County and the availability of vaccines to all individuals over the age of 12; and

WHEREAS, the number of COVID-19 cases in Marion County has risen significantly due in part to the fast-spreading Delta variant and the county is now in the "high risk" category by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") for disease transmission; and

WHEREAS, the Marion Circuit Court Judge and Marion Superior Court Executive Committee Judges, jointly, find it is in the best interests of the public and employees and now FINDS, and ORDERS as follows:

- (1) The City-County Building, Juvenile Justice Complex, and Traffic Court are all considered a "Courthouse."
- (2) All individuals aged two (2) and older are required to wear protective facial coverings properly by covering the nose and mouth while in one of the Courthouse facilities. Facial coverings shall be provided in the event an individual does not have his own before entering the Courthouse facilities.
- (3) All individuals or household units must maintain as much social distancing as is reasonably permitted in the Courthouse facilities.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that effective August 17, 2021, the Marion County Sheriff shall enforce this Order complying with ADA requirements. This Order shall remain in effect until further order by the Marion Circuit Court.

SO ORDERED on this 16th day of August, 2021.

Sheryl Lynch

Sheryl Lynch, Judge Marion Circuit Court

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Amy Jones, Presiding Judge
Marion Superior Court

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