Pursuant to the *Code of Ala. 1975, §22-3-5(2)*, as a county Health Officer, any restaurant, bar, brewery or Priority Category 3 food service establishment shall not permit on-premises consumption of food or drink for one week. This order shall be reevaluated prior to the end of one week for possible modification.

a. Such establishments may continue to offer food for take-out or delivery provided the social distancing protocols including maintaining a consistent six-foot distance between persons are followed.
b. Such establishments are strongly encouraged to offer online ordering and curbside pick-up of food.
c. Hospital food service areas are excluded from this order provided they have their own social distancing plan.

All Nursing Home/Long Term Care Facilities shall prohibit visitation of all visitors and non-essential health care personnel, except for certain compassionate care situations such as end of life.

All Senior Citizen Center gatherings shall be closed. Senior Citizen Centers and their partners are urged to assure that their clients continue to receive needed meals via curbside pick-up or delivery.

Frequent hand washing and cleaning of countertops and other surfaces is advised.

All daycares and schools with 12 or more persons should remain closed as per the order of the Alabama Department of Education.

There are no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Mobile County and very limited testing is available because of lack of federal supplies.

Effective today, March 18, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

Done on this 18th day of March 2020

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