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Dear Citizens of Fannin County,

On October 7, 2020, Governor Abbott issued [Executive Order GA-32](#). In this order, it updates the thresholds for areas with high hospitalizations. This is defined as:

Any Trauma Service Area (TSA) that has had seven consecutive days in which the number of COVID-19 hospitalized patients as a percentage of total hospital capacity exceeds 15 percent, until such time as the Trauma Service Area has seven consecutive days in which the number of COVID-19 hospitalized patients as a percentage of total hospital capacity is 15 percent or less.

**Fannin County is in Trauma Service Area E** which has now passed the seven consecutive days of over 15% hospitalization rate. The percentages may be viewed by clicking [HERE](#), selecting the Hospitals-Regional tab at the bottom and then scrolling to and clicking on Trauma Service Area E.

Therefore, in accordance with GA-32, as of today, December 5, 2020, the following are in effect:

- (1) All Fannin County restaurants, retail stores, office buildings, manufacturing facilities, gyms and exercise facilities and classes, museums, and libraries are required to return to maximum 50% occupancy levels.
- (2) All Fannin County bars and similar establishments must close until notice is given that Trauma Service Area E is no longer under the restrictions of Governor Abbott's GA-32.

Although there are exceptions allowed if a county separately qualifies for the greater occupancy levels because it has minimal cases of COVID-19 under the Department of State Health Services attestation process, Fannin County does not currently meet the minimum 7-day rolling total of active cases.

Additionally, all licensed hospitals in the Trauma Service Area are required to discontinue elective surgeries as set forth in [Executive Order GA-31](#). The Health and Human Services Commission, the agency responsible for regulating hospitals in Texas, is separately providing notice directly to affected hospitals notifying them of the requirement to discontinue elective surgeries located in Trauma Service Area E.

Today, the percentage dropped to under 15% to 14.94%. If this continues for six more consecutive days, we should receive notification that will allow for expanded reopenings again.

My heart goes out to everyone who has been affected by this pandemic. I personally understand. Please, let's all continue to pray for the healing of our great nation and continue to do our best to protect our friends and families.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Randy Moore".

Randy Moore  
Fannin County Judge

*"...Live together in Unity." Psalm 133:1*