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Citizens of Milan,

I ask you to continue to be vigilant and reduce your travel, adhere to social distancing, stay at home and use proper hygiene. We now have 20 cases in Gibson County and there is a 3 to 5 multiplier to the 20 positive cases. That means we could have as many as 100 cases in the county. Numerous healthcare professionals believe that there have been many more cases. Many people have been asymptomatic or have had mild symptoms. This is particularly concerning due to the fact that it is so contagious. The result is a person with little to no symptoms can cause great harm and in some cases death to a friend or family member. Cases are on the rise in Gibson County and we must do our part to stop the spread!!

I know that we are all tired and exhausted of the quarantine but this is not the time to give up. We must remain responsible to protect us all. Take measures to protect your own mental health by eating healthy and workout at home or walk using social distancing. Another way that you can strengthen your attitude and spirit is to help others. Buy canned goods for your local food bank or fill up our two local "Blessing Boxes" located at the Mustard Seed and Health Department. Please support your local businesses that are struggling to survive and reach out to our elderly that are shut-in and need to hear a comforting voice.

I would also like to remind everyone that our Gibson County Health Department is testing Monday – Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in Trenton (1250 S) Manufacturers Row, Trenton, TN 38382) and testing is available at the Milan Health Department Monday - Friday 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. (6501 Telecom Drive).

Milan we must stay home and stay united in our fight against this virus. Our health leaders feel strongly that we have not reached our peak yet and we need to follow all guidelines to flatten the curve and for our positive cases to remain low.

Your burden has become my burden. The decisions being made are some of the most difficult ones I have ever been faced with. So once again, I am begging all of you to stay home and stay safe.

Mayor Beasley