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## STATE OF MICHIGAN 55<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT 700 BUHL AVENUE • MASON, MICHIGAN 48854 517-676-8400 http://dc.ingham.org

## ORDER REGARDING ARREST ON COURT WARRANTS

At a session of said court held in the 55<sup>th</sup> District Court, in the City of Mason, County of Ingham This 16<sup>th</sup> day of March 2020

This Order is issued as a result of the State of Emergency issued by Governor Whitmer of March 10, 2020. This Order is intended to provide guidance to law enforcement agencies regarding the arrest of an individual on a warrant issued by the court.

Law enforcement who encounter individuals with warrants issued by the court should arrest as described here:

## ARREST

- 1. All violent and substance abuse offense; whether felony or misdemeanor
- 2. Bond violations
- 3. Probation violations
- 4. Failure to appear in court for any of the above scenarios.

## DO NOT ARREST

- 1. On warrants greater than a year old, UNLESS the warrant is for serious felonies involving assaultive behavior, criminal sexual conduct, and all life offenses.
- 2. On warrants that do not fall under the above criteria, examples include
  - a. Property offenses
  - b. Misdemeanor warrants that do not meet the arrest criteria above
  - c. Contempt of Court for Failure to Appear in Court (FTA)
  - d. Failure to pay fines and costs and FTA for fines and costs
    - i. D55 partial payment option or balance payment option
  - e. FTA for civil discovery hearing

However, this Order does not supersede a law enforcement officer's discretion to arrest an individual on any warrant in the interest of public safety. Please proceed as the situation dictates if there is a conflict with this Order.

If you encounter a defendant with a warrant on the DO NOT ARREST list, please provide him/her with the phone number below and instructions to call the court immediately.

(517) 676-8405 - Criminal Division

This Order is effective immediately and remains in effect until rescinded by the court.

Dated: March 16, 2020

Honorable Thomas P. Boyd

Chief Judge