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**SHELBY COUNTY MAYOR LEE HARRIS DECLARES A STATE OF EMERGENCY
IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19**

Memphis, TN – On March 19, 2020, Shelby County Mayor Lee Harris signed a declaration of Local State of Emergency to help contain and mitigate COVID-19 from spreading in Shelby County. This action comes after the Shelby County Health Department reported ten positive cases of COVID-19.

Mayor Lee Harris: “We are taking this public event seriously and every day, taking steps to mitigate the negative public health consequences. This emergency declaration is part of those preparatory efforts. This declaration will put our county in a posture to receive vital aid to mitigate the effects of the novel coronavirus, if and when such aid becomes available.”

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