



From: Mike Keny, County Mayor
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Late Friday afternoon Governor Lee issued Executive Order No.54 which gave County Mayors in the 89 counties that do not have a locally run county health department the authority to issue orders or measures requiring or recommending the wearing of face coverings within their jurisdiction.

With much thought and deliberation and after consulting with other leaders throughout our county as well as departments that have been at the forefront in guiding decisions throughout this Covid-19 pandemic, I have decided that wearing masks will not be mandated in Marshall County.

I know not everyone will agree with this decision and I respect the opinions of all who reached out to my office these past few days.

While there is not a local mandate to wear masks, I do however strongly recommend and encourage our citizens to please wear a mask when out in public settings and in situations where social distancing cannot be practiced.

Marshall Countians are good people who have always been known to look out for their family, friends, neighbors, and fellow citizens. When you wear a mask that is exactly what you are doing.... looking out for your family, friends, neighbors, and fellow citizens.

Covid-19 remains an ever-changing situation in our county, cities, state, and nation. As much as I wish it would, it is not going away anytime soon. We will continue to monitor it locally and make decisions accordingly.

I ask that our citizens continue to follow CDC guidelines practicing good hygiene and social distancing.