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*President and  
Chief Executive Officer*

July 14, 2020

G.T. Bynum  
Mayor of the City of Tulsa  
175 East Second Street  
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103

Dear Mayor Bynum:

On behalf of Saint Francis Health System, I would like to encourage you and the City of Tulsa to implement an ordinance for face covering and social distancing during the COVID-19 pandemic. Hospitals across the state and within Saint Francis Health System continue to experience a record number of patients requiring hospitalization for the coronavirus. This is placing a strain on the ability to care for not only patients with COVID-19 but patients with other conditions needing hospitalization. Test results indicate that a higher percentage of patients are testing positive for the coronavirus which further supports enacting steps to curb this disease.

Saint Francis Health System follows Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Food and Drug Administration guidelines and has implemented face covering policies throughout the organization. We continue to work closely with Bruce Dart, PhD, and the Tulsa Health Department and applaud his efforts, accessibility and guidance during this pandemic.

Please contact me if you have questions regarding this request or if I can be of assistance as you lead Tulsa during these epochal times.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jake Henry Jr." in a cursive style.

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