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To: Jackson County Community & Stakeholders From: Jackson County Department of Public Health

Re: Jackson County Department of Public Health Reports One Additional COVID-19 Death

The Jackson County Department of Public Health (JCDPH) has confirmed that a recent death in a Jackson County resident is related to COVID-19, bringing the total COVID-19 deaths in our county to 4. The individual was between the ages of 65-74 years of age and had underlying health conditions. Since the individual had underlying health conditions, JCDPH investigated the death and was able to confirm that COVID-19 was a contributing factor. To protect the families' privacy, no further information about the individual will be released.

"We offer our deepest condolences to the family and loved ones of this individual," said Health Director Shelley Carraway. "Please honor their memory, and the memory of others that we have lost to this virus, by doing everything that you can to stop the spread of COVID-19. This pandemic is not over and its repercussions can be devastating."

For information about COVID-19, look to reliable sources like JCDPH, NCDHHS, and the CDC. Visit JCDPH's website at http://health.jacksonnc.org/covid19. For COVID-19 questions, call the Jackson County Emergency Operations Center (EOC) at 828-631-HELP.

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