Executive Director Frank T. Martin



Board Chair Theodore "Ted" Smith

To:

ALL BJCTA/MAX Customers

All BJCTA Employees

From:

Frank T. Martin, Executive Director and GEO

Date:

March 30, 2020

Subject:

COVID-19 GLOBAL PANDEMIC UPDATE #2020-003

OPERATIONS ALERT: Trespass and Ban Policy

Considering the social distancing orders from the Jefferson County Department of Health and Governor Kay Ivey, BJCTA has reviewed our policy regarding those that may use our services during COVID-19. According to the ordinances, only those that provide essential services such as health care providers and first responders, and those travelling to medical appointments, grocery stores and the like, should be in public. All other citizens should be abiding by the "Shelter In Place" mandate.

BJCTA has limited the number of seats on our buses to comply with the social distancing requirements and we are therefore reserving seating for those as described above.

Given the complexities of all of this, BJCTA will immediately begin to enforce our Trespass and Ban Policy as listed below. We are exercising this with the upmost caution to ensure that no passenger feels disrespected, but we will strictly enforce this. We ask for your understanding and compliance as we address any violations of this policy.

"Trespass and Ban Policy of The Birmingham Jefferson County Transit Authority (BJCTA) Central Station, and any other Authority property".

<u>Persons Subject to Trespass.</u> Any person who has engaged in activities that threaten the health, safety and right to peaceful enjoyment of BJCTA patrons, employees, vendors commissioners, board members, representative agents, contractors, and law enforcement officials may be prohibited from entering The Authority Property. Examples of persons who may be banned from BJCTA Property include, but are not limited to, the following:

- A person who engages in a verbal or physical confrontation with any law enforcement officer,
 BJCTA staff or agent, or authorized guest or visitor while on BJCTA Property.
- A person who remains at Central Station for more than two (2) CONSECUTIVE hours, unless extenuating circumstances (such as a transferring bus is late or disabled) prevent the person from leaving.
- A person who loiters, or otherwise fails to have any legal business, on BJCTA property.
- A person riding a BJCTA bus for more than one full trip.
 (If the bus passes the point at which the person boarded the bus; in the same direction, it is considered one full trip.)