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## Chatham County Police Department Releases Video Thanking the Public for Sheltering in **Place During Pandemic**

Chatham County, GA (April 13, 2020) – The Chatham County Police Department has released a video thanking the public for staying at home during the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Our officers are on the front lines of community exposure to COVID-19 every day," said Chatham County Police Chief Jeff Hadley. "Health officials tell us that people sheltering in place and only going out when absolutely necessary are our best weapons against COVID-19. When you stay at home, you're not only protecting yourself and your loved ones, you're also significantly reducing the risk of exposure to our officers."

The video highlights the fact that Chatham County Police officers are also adjusting to the shelter-in-place orders.

"This is a heartfelt message from our department," Hadley continued. "Our officers were selected to join our department because they truly believe in, and enjoy, community policing. That means being with people every day, not just when there is an emergency or call for service. We miss the long conversations, classroom visits, and games of pick-up basketball with neighborhood kids. And, like you, we're looking forward to the day when this crisis is behind us."

The video can be viewed on the department's Facebook page at https://m.facebook.com/ChathamCountyPD/?tsid=0.5139184285751621&source=result.

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