



GORDON E. DOVE
PARISH PRESIDENT

OFFICE OF THE PARISH PRESIDENT
TERREBONNE PARISH CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT
P.O. BOX 6097
HOUMA, LOUISIANA 70361-6097



(985) 873-6401
FAX: (985) 873-6409
E-MAIL: gdove@tpcg.org

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

April 28, 2021

For More Information Contact:
Earl J. Eues, Jr.
985-873-6357

**Lifting of Mandatory Mask Mandate for
Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government Employees**

Houma, LA – On April 27, 2021, Louisiana Governor John Bel Edwards issued proclamation number 79 JBE 2021, to allow local businesses and local governments to decide on whether masks would be worn in local business establishments and local governmental offices. Based on the Governor Edwards' current proclamation, Parish President Gordon Dove will remove the mandatory mask mandate for all Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government employees within all Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government operated buildings and facilities, effective immediately today. A mandatory mask mandate will remain for all **VISITORS** to Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government operated buildings until further notice. All temperature checks for employees and visitors will ceased at the Terrebonne Parish Government Towers and other TPCG departmental offices. The Houma-Terrebonne Civic Center, Dumas Auditorium and the Houma Municipal Auditorium will follow the event venue requirements as listed in the Louisiana State Fire Marshall's [opensafely.la.gov](https://www.opensafely.la.gov) website.

All other Local and State governmental offices and buildings, such as the Terrebonne Parish Sheriff's Office, the 32nd Judicial Courts, the Terrebonne Clerk of Courts Office, etc., will have the authority whether or not to mandate mask wearing and temperature checks of employees or visitors if they wish to do so. The Terrebonne Parish Council will also have the authority whether or not to mandate mask wearing and temperature checks of all persons attending Parish Council meetings.

Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government employees are encouraged to voluntarily wear masks if they choose to do so.

Parish President Dove would like to thank all Parish residents for "doing their part" in preventing the spread of the COVID in Terrebonne Parish during this pandemic and to remind residents that we are still in a pandemic and all residents should continue to follow social distancing and good handwashing and disinfecting practices until the pandemic is declared over by the Federal government. Parish President Dove also encourages everyone to get vaccinated as soon as possible to help prevent the spread of the virus.