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Statement From Mayor Kyle Deaver

WACO, TEXAS (April 9, 2020)

We are deeply saddened, to receive confirmation today of the second fatality attributed to COVID-19 in McLennan County. The patient was a 69- year old male with underlying conditions. He died at a local hospital this morning.

Another fatality was reported last night of a 61-year old male. The death was unattended and is under investigation.

As we know, particular sectors of our community are acutely at risk for serious symptoms that may ultimately prove fatal. We continue to take every action to protect and to inform vulnerable populations and we encourage our healthy residents to bear in mind the potential cost of the virus' spread. This is a tragic development, but not an unforeseen one.

I call on all of our community to keep the victims' families in their prayers and respect their privacy. Also, please continue doing everything possible to prevent further spread of COVID-19 by observing the required Social Distancing as described in our Order.

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