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CITY OF BROWNSVILLE ANNOUNCES FIRST EMPLOYEE DEATH ASSOCIATED WITH COVID-19

BROWNSVILLE, Texas (August 3, 2020) — The City of Brownsville today confirms the first employee death associated with COVID-19.

The city employee, who was a male aged 68, has died. To protect the family’s privacy, no further information about the employee will be released.

“We are deeply saddened by the loss of a member of the City of Brownsville family. We remain steadfast in providing for the safety and security of our employees, including the mental and emotional support needed” said Noel Bernal, City of Brownsville City Manager “We extend our heartfelt condolences to the family and loved ones”

The City of Brownsville Emergency Operations Center (EOC) will continue to monitor the situation and provide updates as they are received.

The City’s public health efforts will continue to focus on containing the spread and mitigating the impact of COVID-19 in the community. We continue to emphasize the importance of following prevention methods to protect public health:

- Stay at home, unless travel is necessary
- Wear facial coverings
- Practice social distancing and keep your distance of 6 feet from others
- If you are sick, call your doctor and home isolate yourself
- Practice good hygiene practices for everyday prevention measures, including frequent hand washing
- Cover your mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing
- Avoid touching eyes, nose or mouth with unwashed hands

For information on Coronavirus, please contact the Cameron County Coronavirus Hotline at (956) 247-3650, seven days a week or refer to the Cameron County Public Health website for more information and updates at <http://www.cameroncounty.us/publichealth/index.php/coronavirus/>.

Additionally, it is encouraged to visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website at <https://www.cdc.gov/> for daily updates.

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