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It is with great sadness that the City of Port Arthur Health Department (PAHD) is reporting the fifth COVID-19 related death of a resident of Port Arthur. The individual was an African American female between the age range of 80-85.

We emphasize again that COVID-19 is a very serious disease. While 80% of individuals who contract COVID-19 will have mild to moderate symptoms and fully recover, they may spread the disease to people who are at high risk. The elderly and people with underlying health conditions or weakened immune systems are at a much higher risk for developing serious complications from COVID-19. We strongly advise at-risk individuals to minimize contact with others who are ill, and practice social distancing.