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Statement regarding the end of the statewide mask mandate

Summit County, Utah (April 8, 2021) — After carefully reviewing metrics on hospital utilization, vaccination rates, and recent cases of COVID-19 among our most vulnerable populations, Summit County will not extend a mask mandate following the expiration of the statewide mandate at 11:59 PM on April 9. We thank the public for their commitment to getting vaccinated and for following health guidelines to reduce the spread of COVID-19 in Summit County. Our current outlook is a result of your diligent efforts and sacrifices.

Many private businesses in Summit County may continue to require masks for patrons. County officials ask that residents and visitors respect and comply with these requirements. Please show courtesy and compassion to your neighbors, whether they choose to wear a mask or not. The public is encouraged to continue health measures that prevent the spread of COVID-19 in our communities: frequently sanitizing hands and high-touch surfaces and social distancing in public areas, especially indoors.

We recognize the tremendous impacts of COVID-19 on our residents, families, children, businesses, and employees. We mourn for those who lost loved ones to this cruel virus. Over the past year, we have been challenged as a community and individually; mentally, physically, and financially. The pandemic may not be over, but we are in a better place. There is no doubt the actions of our residents saved lives and reduced the long-term suffering many more would experience if they had contracted the virus. Please help us to continue moving forward and sustain the success we have achieved as a community.

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