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Mayor Sly James, city officials encourage residents to stay safe and check on others during excessive heat warning

(KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI) --- Mayor Sly James, along with City Manager Troy Schulte, and public safety officials gathered today to encourage area residents to heed the Excessive Heat Warning issued by the National Weather Service. The most recent Excessive Heat Warning is scheduled through Saturday, July 23 at 7 p.m. Mayor James urged residents to stay out of the heat and remember others without access to air conditioning as we continue to see extremely high temperatures.

“It’s easy to take for granted what is always there for many of us, and that’s a cool place to go during these extremely hot temperatures,” Mayor James commented. “The City is hard at work helping residents find cooling centers, but we also need Kansas Citians to help each other. Quite literally, this heat is a matter of life and death for some people. Let’s make sure everyone has the ability to get out of the heat.”

Information on community cooling centers can be found at the Health Department’s website at www.kcmo.org/health or by calling the United Way 2-1-1, at 211 or 816-474-5112 for a complete list of community centers and for their hours of operation. City residents can call the 3-1-1 Action Center to arrange for transportation to the closest cooling center, provided by the Kansas City Fire Department. Dial 3-1-1 or 816-513-1313 to speak to someone at the Action Center.