Missouri local elections postponed; Virus count up to 17

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) - Missouri Gov. Mike Parson is ordering all local elections scheduled for April 7 to be postponed until June 2 as the number of recorded cases of coronavirus in the state grows.

Parson's Wednesday order allows ballots that were already printed to be used for the rescheduled elections in June.

Also on Wednesday, Children's Mercy hospital announced that a patient treated in the downtown Kansas City hospital's emergency room on Sunday had tested positive for the virus. That brings the state's total cases to 17.

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