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Hello everyone,

I am pleased to give you an update with respect to the COVID-19 virus.

As you are aware, the provincial and federal governments have entered into a phase of opening some businesses and some selected recreational activities such as golf courses and access to some parks. The overall numbers of cases in Ontario are decreasing and the curve overall is flattening, but that is not necessarily the picture for long-term care homes and other congregate settings. These sites, that care for vulnerable seniors and others, continue to be at high risk in terms of spread. Although the province is slowly opening up, we continue to act with an abundance of caution as we consider the safest way possible to allow in-person visiting for family members and loved ones of our residents and clients. This is not something we are prepared to rush into at this time, however, we are starting to explore ways for this to happen at a future date. We are thankful that our precautionary measures and timely actions have spared our residents and clients from contracting COVID-19 to date. Accordingly, we still need to ensure that any changes to our current procedures are carefully considered, implemented and monitored.

We are still awaiting the results of universal testing of our residents and staff at St. Peter's Residence at Chedoke and Idlwyld Manor. We have been advocating with Public Health and our Associations to get these results and anticipate that we will receive them in the coming days. We reported in early May 2020 that one of our residents at Idlwyld Manor was confirmed to be COVID-19 positive. I am happy to report that the resident has continued to remain healthy, was re-tested and received news of a negative result. I am also pleased to inform you that we continue to have no active cases of COVID-19 at any of our 17 sites.

As always, we will continue to provide you with up to date information as it becomes available. I wanted to take this opportunity to let you know that I will only provide an update to the website if there are any significant changes to report. No news on any given day is good news.

I hope that everyone is enjoying some of the better weather – we seem to be moving swiftly from a bit of a wintery spring right into summer! Please continue to take care, be safe, exercise appropriate social distancing and handwashing.

Steve Sherrer
CEO