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Dear Members & Program Participants,

With news of positive cases of COVID-19 (Coronavirus) in Indiana this week, we want to communicate what we are doing to protect the health and safety of our staff, members and participants, which remain our top priority. Our goal is to be responsive and slow the spread of the virus in our community while simultaneously minimizing the impact on your routine activities.

Our branches will continue to be open during regular hours unless the Allen County Health Department recommends alternative actions. Like many of you, we have been following updates from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), the World Health Organization (WHO), the State of Indiana and local health departments. We are actively monitoring the situation and have developed action plans and specific efforts to maintain a healthy environment across all our YMCAs.

What the YMCA of Greater Fort Wayne is doing

- We have informed all staff about best practices that will minimize transmission.
- We are cleaning more frequently using our core cleaning product, Daily Double II. This hospital grade disinfectant is effective at killing the Coronavirus as well MRSA and VISA Staphylococcus Aureus. Daily Double II has been tested and approved to exhibit veridical activity against Hepatitis B and C and HIV.
- All of our Y's in Allen, Whitley and Wells counties are taking necessary precautions and frequently sanitize surfaces. We will provide antibacterial stations throughout our facilities as long as sanitizing gel is available.
- We are being vigilant in keeping the wellness center floor, machines and mats extra clean, washing towels and keeping the laundry moving.
- We have posted signs throughout branches encouraging hand washing and best hygiene practices.
- Changes to childcare programs have been addressed in separate communication. Available at www.fwymca.org/covid-19

The following programs and special events during March and April will be cancelled:

- Good Friday Breakfast
- All branches Silver Sneakers luncheons

Central Branch YMCA

- Duck A-pool-ooza
- Home Buying Seminar

Jackson R. Lehman Family YMCA

- Easter Extravaganza
- Youth Volleyball

Jorgensen Family YMCA

- Easter Egg Extravaganza
- Spring Youth Basketball

Parkview Family YMCA

- Indoor Youth Soccer
- Easter Eggstavanza

Renaissance Pointe YMCA

- Late Night Basketball
- Youth Basketball

Whitley County Family YMCA

- Indoor Youth Soccer
- Youth Volleyball

Anything not listed here, is proceeding as planned at this time. Because this is an ever-changing situation, we will continue to evaluate any other modifications.

What you can do:

- Practice good hygiene as recommended on the CDC Website. www.cdc.gov
- Please do not come to the Y if you are ill, out of respect to fellow members and vulnerable people in our community. This means if you have symptoms such as a cough, fever or are sneezing we ask that you avoid the Y until you are well. This refers particularly to symptoms that can affect others.
- Please be assured that the YMCA Senior Leadership Team and I continue to monitor information from public health officials and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and are discussing possibilities to keep you and our community safe.

We appreciate your patience and understanding as we work through this fluid situation. We are focused on doing our part to keep everyone safe and we will continue to monitor this situation with your best interest in mind.

Sincerely,

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President & CEO
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