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MEMO

TO: All Residents, Responsible Parties and Employees

From: Rod Mason, President/CEO

RE: Weekly Update – Back on Track

Date: September 17, 2020

Greetings one an all! The old adage, “I’ve got good news, and I have other news” rings true this day. Let me begin with “the other news”: Another employee has tested positive for the COVID-19 virus. This was **not** during our testing yesterday, but outside testing early this week. The good thing – this employee has not worked nor been in the building since August 31 – well outside the required time period for us to have concern inside the building, and reports that attendance at a local public event was the likely traceable link. The employee is home in quarantine for another fourteen-day period. Because of the timing of this employee’s exposure and last time in the building we are not at all concerned about spread here and will not be invoking any additional measures due to this exposure. We pray for the employee and their family and friends in the hopes that this situation can quickly resolve favorably!

The good news?? Yesterday we completed yet another round of testing on all employees. Again, nearly 300 employees came through the testing and all of those tests have returned **negative!** We thank God for that fact as that takes us yet one step closer to lowering some of our restrictions – but we still have a few more steps to take. Today, as part of the requirements to which we must comply relating to testing of residents and employees at this time, we will be testing all residents of the nursing facility! If they, too, come back negative (as we suspect will happen) we will only have one more round of resident testing to perform next week, in addition to employee-testing. If all rounds of testing over these two weeks return negative, we will be able to return to testing only of employees on the schedule according to the County’s positivity rate, and our restrictions will be returned to the level they were prior to last week’s testing! We covet your earnest prayers that this outcome may be what we experience!

Please remember, everyone and particularly our employees... Be mindful to the good/safe hygienic practices that have been advertised and requested often! Masks, handwashing, social distancing... we can do this!! And employees, as a soft reminder, please remember where you work, who you attend to during your work and who you work along-side. Your care during your own private lives and private time will go very far to continue our good experience here at Swiss Village! Thank you for your work and your diligence in all this pandemic time. We will make it through this... **together!**