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MEMORANDUM

TO: Jewish Senior Services Community

FROM: Andrew H. Banoff
President & CEO

SUBJECT: COVID-19 Update #111

Hello all...

Today is exactly two years from the first community-wide communication that I wrote about COVID-19.

In re-reading that letter, it is clear that there was tremendous uncertainty and angst in everything that was happening. Visitation was restricted by the Department of Public Health, all events were postponed, and small groups (less than 50 people) were still permitted as long as none of the participants visited with Residents. Clearly, over the coming days and weeks, the regulations and restrictions evolved quickly as more and more was learned about the pandemic.

We have come a long way together in these two years – through the various waves, several variants of the virus, a number of changes to the guidelines, the development of several life-saving vaccines, different treatments, and the “normalization” of masks and other infection control procedures to help reduce the spread. There have been many challenges to all of us “riding the roller coaster” as I described it in the summer of 2020, and sadly we have lost loved ones, colleagues and friends.

Others have written about silver linings and the lessons learned – which fortunately have made our planning for the future better, and hopefully brought us closer to our families and friends. I am thankful for all of your support, encouragement, kind words, and faith in each other as we have been able to accomplish so much together.

As I have ended my Updates for a long time now, **stay safe and keep the faith!**
Andrew