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To: All Woodford County Workplace Facilities,

I would like to thank all essential and non-essential establishments for following the Governor's Stay at Home Executive Order Number 20-10. I understand it is challenging to continue to work as an essential business and the hardship COVID-19 (coronavirus) is taking on non-essential businesses based on the mitigation strategies being conducted in Illinois. As you heard from many national, state and local leaders, "we are all in this together, we cannot fight this virus alone."

The Woodford County Health Department (WCHD) has many tasks in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Our overall mission is to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and provide guidance and precautionary resources to all community residents and stakeholders. WCHD is working to ensure we provide adequate resources to assist in reducing the spread of COVID-19, which is a contagious virus that is spread from one person to another.

To stop the spread of COVID-19 in our communities and to keep your business functioning, WCHD highly recommends universal masking at your business. Employees should also practice social distancing if possible (6 feet apart) and frequently wash their hands, and disinfect all surfaces throughout their work day. If you are in need of masks for your employees, there are local resources that might be able to assist. If you are able to take temperatures for all employees prior to entering your facility, this is strongly recommended as well.

I understand that information about this virus is ever changing and our goal is to help you find the many different resources available. Attached are some resources regarding guidance for essential businesses that are currently operating. These resources will also be helpful to businesses as you look forward to reopening when the stay at home order is lifted.

I appreciate your assistance in keeping our community stay safe and healthy during this trying time. If you have questions, please feel free to reach out to me at haggertt@woodford-county.org. For more information, visit www.woodfordhealth.org, or www.coronavirus.illinois.gov and "Like" us on Facebook.

Again, we appreciate all the measures you are taking to protect your employees and all the customers you serve.

Sincerely,

Hillary Aggertt
Administrator