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Dear Family Members and Friends:

We would like to thank each and every one of you for your generous monetary gifts and donations of much-needed items. The outpouring of love and support has been such a blessing to our Home and our Residents during this difficult time.

It is our desire to keep you informed with respect to COVID-19 and so I would like to give you an update. At this time, we have seven Residents who tested positive, two who tested negative and one Resident whose results are still pending. Test results take a few days to receive. It is with heavy heart that I share with you, that we had one Resident and a devoted employee, who lost their battle with the corona virus. They were part of our family and for the Sisters, Staff and fellow Residents, their loss was devastating for us, as well as for their own family members who we are keeping in our prayers.

Staff members who have symptoms related to the virus are asked to stay off of work for two weeks to give time for the symptoms to resolve or develop further. We have seven staff members who tested positive for the virus. Six are recovering at home and we hope they will be able to return to work with us.

We continue to be in daily contact with the local health department and have been following their guidelines as well the guidelines of the CDC. Residents and staff members who exhibit any type of symptoms related to COVID-19 are referred to our medical director for immediate assessment.

Our greatest desire is to keep our Residents as safe and healthy as possible in the midst of these trying circumstances. Little Sisters and staff are committed to doing all we can to both fight the virus and show our Residents the love and support they need.

We pray that God will protect all of you and your loved ones during this time.

God Bless you,

Mother Mary Thomas, I.S.P.

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