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**Dear Team Members:** 

## Saturday COVID-19 Update: Metro Transit Is Essential To Our Region

Today St. Louis Mayor Lyda Krewson and St. Louis County Executive Sam Page announced stay-at-home orders to fight the spread of COVID-19 which go into effect Monday, March 23, and last 30 days. Both leaders have emphasized residents in St. Louis City and St. Louis County will still be able to make essential trips such as going to the grocery store, gas station, doctor's office, hospital or pharmacy. Essential workers, including Metro Transit, will continue to do their jobs. Yes, leaders in St. Louis City, St. Louis County and the State of Illinois consider the services we provide essential. This action today in St. Louis City and St. Louis County follows a similar Shelter in Place order for Illinois residents which began this evening and was announced yesterday by Governor J.B. Pritzker.

We continue to serve our customers - critical workers in the health care and service industries, as well as those passengers making essential trips to medical treatments, grocery stores and other open businesses during this challenging time. If you live in St. Louis City or St. Louis County and are essential to our operation continue to report to work. You are exempt from the Stay at Home order. If you are uncertain if your position is essential or non-essential, contact your supervisor as soon as possible. Essential team members, regardless of where you live, are to continue to report to work.

Be diligent and follow the CDC guidelines for hand washing and using hand sanitizers, not touching your face, coughing into your arm, and social distancing. Please keep cleaning and disinfecting your work area too.

## **Temperature Scanning Begins Monday**

Reminder: Beginning Monday morning, March 23 all team members will be required to have a forehead temperature scan when reporting for work. This procedure will be administered at the entrance to each facility by a health care professional. An individual with temperature scans above 100.4 will be sent home and referred to their primary care physician. Returning to work requires a release from a primary care physician and fever-free for a minimum of 24 hours.

We are hearing many wonderful comments about your dedication and professionalism and will be sharing them with you in the coming days. Thank you again for keeping our region moving!

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