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Public Service Announcement: COVID-19 Coronavirus

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The City of Oak Park is committed to working with local, county, state, and federal partners to help keep residents and business owners safe and prevent the spread of the COVID-19 coronavirus.

"Yesterday evening, we were made aware of one coronavirus case in Oakland County, and we are also now aware of Governor Whitmer's state of emergency declaration," says Oak Park Public Safety Director Steve Cooper. "We are monitoring the developments of this situation, and as time goes on, we will be working with a variety of partners to communicate the most accurate information to our residents."

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) states that the public can take several practical measures to reduce the spread of this virus:

- 1) **Practice good health habits** such as washing your hands, covering your cough, and disinfecting frequently-used objects.
- 2) **Review the CDC's travel notices** before doing any lengthy travelling, especially when planning to travel outside of the country.
- 3) **Create a household plan** that considers items to keep stocked at home should a quarantine of any kind need to take place.
- 4) **Find out about workplace policies** regarding coronavirus action plans, sick-leave, and work-from-home options.
- 5) **Check on elderly and vulnerable individuals** to ensure they are safe, healthy, and well taken care of.

As this is a fast-evolving situation, more information may become available in the near future. The City of Oak Park is dedicated to keeping its residents and business owners in the know.

To access more information on the COVID-19 virus immediately, we are advising our residents to visit the State of Michigan's dedicated coronavirus webpage, found at <u>www.michigan.gov/coronavirus</u>. For business owners, the Oakland County Health Division has created a COVID-19 Business Toolkit, found at <u>www.bit.ly/OCCoronavirusToolkit</u>.

Together, we can stop the spread of the COVID-19 coronavirus.