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To: All family members of a current Resident at St. Martin's and to our friends

Last week we were delighted to bring you the news that outdoor visits are now permissible once you have read the plan, signed and returned the Visitor Acknowledgement and Waiver to our Social Worker, Mary Eff. We must all be aware that the virus is still spreading and the threat still exists, so visits will be conducted with the stringent safety measures set forth by the Department of Health. We ask only that you carefully follow the guidelines and criteria so we can ensure the safety and well-being of those Residents entrusted in our care. If you desire an outdoor visit, please contact Danielle to set one up.

Health and well-being have always been our top priority at St. Martin's Home. We are choosing to go above and beyond in our Home by increasing our safety protocols beyond recommended guidelines. Even with our enhanced safety protocols, a high-quality life is still abundant here. Relationships are still at the heart of what we do. We are using technology such as FaceTime, Zoom and Skype to help connections stay strong among families if you choose to continue using those avenues of communication rather than personal visits. We are here to provide care – of the heart, mind and body – with safety measures in place. And all while helping our beloved Residents live their best lives.

We are thankful to God and pleased to announce that there are no new cases to report for the second week in a row. We attribute this to the restrictions we have in place and to our employees who continue to place the welfare of your loved ones first, acting with compassion, courage, and commitment. Together with the Little Sisters, these employees come to work each day in order to fulfill our mission of caring for God's most vulnerable – the needy elderly. Not all heroes wear capes. In fact, at St. Martin's Home, our heroes wear masks.

Even with Governor Hogan's opening of Phase 3, we continue to encourage you to take the utmost care in terms of personal safety as all of us look for and plan for a brighter future. As summertime winds down, we hope your Labor Day weekend will be sunny and enjoyable for you.

The Little Sisters pray for you daily and ask for your prayers in return.

Most sincerely,

*Sister Joseph Caroline*