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

On October 31, 2020, Governor Hogan renewed the coronavirus state of emergency. He called for all of us to remain vigilant in the fight against COVID-19 when he said, "While Maryland's positivity case rates remain lower than most states in America, we are closely monitoring increases in some of our key health metrics as well as rising numbers in states across the country." This is a very strong reminder to us that this crisis is not over and that this virus travels across state borders without hesitation. Governor Hogan ended his statement by saying, "I want to remind Marylanders that the only way to keep our state open for business is to avoid traveling to hotspots and continue following the public health guidelines."

Since the declaration of the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Little Sisters' collective efforts have focused on keeping this terrible virus out of St. Martin's Home. We will continue all our proactive measures to keep our Home safe. In addition, we are closely following the CDC and Maryland Department of Health guidelines and we will do the COVID-19 testing next Monday and pray that all will be negative. This will help us gauge the frequency for further testing, as we continue to monitor the positivity rate in Maryland.

Please continue to stay connected to your loved one through technology, window visits or personal visits. If you have not completed your paperwork to visit in person, please contact Mary, our Social Worker, and she will be happy to help you. Restrictions do apply when entering St. Martin's and we ask you to please follow the screening process at the front desk along with answering the questionnaire. While visiting your loved one, please remember to wear a mask and respect social distancing. These restrictions are not only for the protection of your loved one but for you also. Our prayer is that everyone associated with St. Martin's Home remains healthy and COVID free.

Thank you for your understanding and most of all your patience as we work together to keep everyone associated with St. Martin's Home safe and healthy. Your words of kindness and appreciation are truly inspirational and help keep everyone's spirits up.

The Little Sisters of the Poor continue to ask God's blessing for you and your family.

Most sincerely,

Sister Joseph Caroline

Mother Joseph Caroline, I.s.p.
Superior