March 16, 2020

Dear Staff, Families and Friends:

Thank you for your cooperation as we work to keep those in our buildings and each other healthy by following CDC restrictions on visiting and best health care practices. Thank you to staff who are coming to work every day, employing best practices in handwashing and social distancing, and working to keep the coronavirus from our residents/patients. It is a time that requires diligence, and requires we all do our part. That includes what we do after we leave work, or on our time off from school, or working from home. It is not a time to gather.

At our nursing homes, assisted living residence, adult day centers and home care agency we are following RI Department of Health and CDC guidelines. We screen every employee at the start of their shift and if they display any sign of illness they are asked to go home. Anyone that has any sign of illness is asked to stay home, and to call and advise our Administration of their signs and symptoms.

At our nursing homes, assisted living, and adult day centers outside vendors who are necessary to the care and well-being of those in our care are screened before they enter the building. Mail and deliveries are accepted in our vestibules not in our lobbies. In our nursing homes and assisted living residences, we are identifying those who may be at higher risk from depression or anxiety during this time, and supporting them with social services, activities and nursing support.

Please know that we will do everything possible to make this time as pleasant as it can be for those in our care and for our caregivers. For those in locations that are restricted to visitors, I invite you to take some time and send an email to your loved one via the addresses below, or send an email of thanks to a caregiver, because we all need to be reminded that our family is thinking of us during this trying time and grateful every day to the caregivers.

If you would like to send an email, please note who message is for in Subject Line.

Email addresses:
Saint Elizabeth Home: Emails to: Tara Zinno at: tzinno@stelizabethcommunity.org
Saint Elizabeth Manor: Emails to: Victoria Woolard at: vwoolard@stelizabethcommunity.org
Saint Elizabeth Court: Emails to: Geo DeJesus, at: gdejesus@stelizabethcommunity.org

Reach out with your questions via email to our Administrators, and please be patient with us as we do our best to respond promptly, with the knowledge that we are first and foremost focused on providing exceptional care to those in our care.

Thank you,

Steven J. Horowitz
President and CEO