



**FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
FOR HEALTHY LIVING
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY**

Dear YMCA of Glendale Member/Participant

At the YMCA of Glendale, the safety and well-being of our members, staff, volunteers and the broader Glendale community have always been and will always be a top priority.

Over the past 24 hours, the State of California and the City of Los Angeles have taken significant steps to keep the public safe as the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) begins to spread. Early Sunday evening, Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti ordered the closure of all bars, nightclubs, restaurants (except takeout/delivery), entertainment venues, gyms and other establishments in the City of Los Angeles effective midnight, March 15 through March 31.

As a result of this action the YMCA of Glendale will be closed for all healthy lifestyle activities as of Tuesday, March 17. During this time, we will be addressing any maintenance issues that have been noted and we will be conducting a deep cleaning and disinfecting prior to reopening.

It has been a dizzying week of change for all of us. We recognize that these actions are necessary to help prevent the spread of this virus. We also know that the programs that we run are important for our members and participants, and they contribute to making the community a better place. In an effort to help keep things as normal as possible, we will be paying all of our staff for the two weeks. We are hopeful that you will be patient during this unprecedented time. We ask that you please keep your membership active so we can keep our community together and vibrant during these significant challenges. We will be rolling out online classes for our members later this week so you can continue to keep your mind and body healthy.

We are hopeful that these significant precautions will help stem the spread of the virus and that we can begin to return to our normal routines soon.

During this closure, you can expect regular updates from us via email, our website at www.glendaleymca.org or our facebook page.

We are asking everyone to follow the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines and take their own measures to protect themselves, including not putting themselves in situations with large crowds or where they come in close contact with others, staying home if they do not feel well, frequently washing their hands with soap and water and covering their coughs and sneezes.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we navigate this evolving and challenging situation.

With gratitude,

George Saikali
CEO/President
YMCA of Glendale