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City of Grapevine COVID-19 Statement & Closures on Behalf of Mayor William D. Tate & Grapevine City Council

Grapevine, Texas (March 13, 2020) — The City of Grapevine, at the guidance of Tarrant County Public Health and the Tarrant County Judge, is implementing the following actions to keep residents and visitors safe and to prevent the spread of COVID-19. We also encourage all private sector companies, groups, and organizations to take the same steps in working towards stopping the spread of COVID-19 by limiting group gatherings and to practice social distancing.

“It is in the best interest of our residents, employees, and business merchants to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19 by practicing social distancing, personal care, and not taking part in large group gatherings with particular attention to the active adult population (over 60) in our community. We will continue to monitor these events per the direction of Tarrant County Public Health and will reassess as needed.” - City of Grapevine Mayor William D. Tate

Effective immediately, the following programs, events, and/or venues are closed and will be reassessed in two weeks:

CLOSED:

- Grapevine Public Library - Drive-thru will remain open to pick-up items on reserve and for returns
- The REC of Grapevine
- All city organized/sponsored youth sports are suspended
- Community Outreach Center (and programs)
- Municipal Golf Course
- Museums
- Convention Center
- Palace Theater

CANCELED:

- Municipal Court Hearings
- CVB - Special event train excursions - (this includes the “Kiss Me I’m Irish” train event and both Jazz Wine Train events)
- Rental Facilities - All parks and recreation facility and pavilion rentals are canceled

Grapevine residents are urged to help reduce potential community spread of COVID-19 by implementing the following:

- If you have recently traveled, individuals and families are advised to monitor your health and report any signs and symptoms consistent with COVID-19, which may include fever, cough, and/or shortness of breath to your primary care physician
- Everyone should wash their hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom. Also, wash them before eating and after blowing your nose, coughing or sneezing. If there’s no soap and water, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands
- Avoid people who are sick
- Stay isolated when you are sick
- Cover your cough and/or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash
- Frequently clean and disinfect objects and surfaces you touch often with a regular household cleaning spray or wipe

The public is encouraged to monitor the city’s website (GrapevineTexas.gov) and City managed social media outlets for up-to-date information regarding COVID-19 and the status of city-sponsored events and closures.

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