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Dear Loyal Y Member and Program Participants,

For over 100 years, YMCAs, as charitable organizations, have been serving communities in Ohio. With over 162 locations across the state, Ys have a continued history of meeting the needs of those we serve.

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

We have been diligently monitoring all national and local updates surrounding the COVID-19 situation. In order to best ensure the health of our entire Y community, the Governor's office has decided to close our facilities effective Monday, March 16th at 9pm. We will be closed until further notice.

While we don't have an expected date of reopen at this time, it is important to us that we articulate how we are handling all membership and program fees. Please see the FAQ's that we will post and email out by the end of the day on 3/17/2020.

We are asking everyone to follow the Center 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.

We will continue to work with our local health department to determine what other actions, if any, would be prudent on our part and when it will be safe to reopen our facilities.

We ask you to stay with us. Each Ohio YMCA is a charitable organization continuing to support our communities through our mission, as described above. As a cause-driven member, stay with us, even though your access to our fitness center is temporarily curtailed. We realize not everyone is able to continue supporting the YMCA with their membership dues, but we ask those who can to stay with us.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we navigate this evolving and challenging situation. We look forward to returning to business as usual as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Nick Clark

Executive Director
YMCA of Mount Vernon