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Dear Valued Y Members,

Community service has long been an integral part of the Y's operations. For more than 175 years, as a nonprofit organization focused on the tenets of healthy living, youth development and social responsibility, we have touched countless lives across multiple generations. In this unprecedented time, our community faces a new challenge and we ask that you support us so we can continue our work in the future. While we all navigate these uncharted waters together, it goes without saying that the COVID-19 has created enormous uncertainty. However, how we all respond is within our control. In light of the increased threat of the COVID-19 we have had to make the difficult decision to temporarily close our facilities to help flatten the curve of the virus spreading in our community. As part of this strategy, we have changed our operations and have shifted our resources to ensure the Y's ability to continue serving our community once we overcome these challenging times.

You can join us in our efforts to strengthen our community by continuing to keep your membership active during this unprecedented time. Should you choose to do this, know how grateful we are for your generous support and upon request we will provide you a charitable gift receipt. The Y is a community and this situation has only proven again that our community is not defined by a physical building, it is defined by the many caring and generous people who make it up.

If requested, members may place their membership on hold by emailing our membership staff at <u>memberservices@aberdeenymca.org</u>. While we do encourage you to help us during this closure, we do recognize that each member has unique circumstances, and will work with you to place a hold on your membership while we all get through this pandemic together. While some of us have the resources to navigate these uncertain times, many do not. As part of our commitment to you we will continue to work closely with community leaders to determine how the Y can help during these trying times.

I know these moments are challenging, but your support today ensures the Y's ability to be there for our community as we come together to put this pandemic behind us. We are thankful for your continued commitment to the Y as we all strive to keep our community safe, strong and vibrant.

Sincerely,

Mike Quast CEO

