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December 30, 2020

Dear St. John's Residents and Family Members,

We are pleased to report that the long awaited, anxiously anticipated, and historic day that our first residents and staff received their first round of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccination came and went without any incident today. The timeline was aggressive and we are most grateful to the Walgreens pharmacists who performed the valiant work of vaccine administration; our many staff members who supported the efforts; and the resident families who made it possible for their loved ones to receive the vaccine today by their swift response to our paperwork requirements.

Between residents and staff members at St. John's Home, we used all the vaccine doses allocated to us by Walgreens within the tight time span of less than 8 hours and came together as a St. John's family to achieve this important milestone.

As we have mentioned previously, while administration of the vaccine does not mean the immediate opening of full visitation and access to residents of skilled nursing facilities (noting that those specific changes can only come from revamped state and federal guidelines), we are confident that the worldwide, unprecedented scientific achievement of these COVID-19 vaccines and its distribution to as many citizens as possible across our state and nation, will eventually enable all of us to more fully enjoy life with our loved ones once again.

If you were not able to provide permission for your loved one to receive the vaccine for today's round and would be interested in doing so for our next round of vaccinations on January 20 (when those residents and staff members receiving the first round of vaccinations today will get their second and final round), please review the important information listed below:

- The remaining designated dates of vaccination clinics at St. John's are: 1/20/21 and 2/10/21 (at Penfield Green House Homes: 1/5/21, 1/26/21, and 2/16/21).
- Current residents of St. John's Home (and Penfield Green House Homes), who are authorized to participate, were given their first dose today, 12/30 (for PGHH, 1/5/21) and will receive their second dose on 1/20/21 (for PGHH, 1/26/21).
- Participation in the vaccination program is free of charge, voluntary, and no resident or staff member can be mandated to receive the vaccine due to its emergency use authorization (EAU) classification.
- Enclosed is a <u>Vaccination FAQ</u> document that might be helpful in answering some of the questions you may have at this time.

Again, we appreciated your cooperation that enabled us to run a smooth and efficient process today for the first stage of our vaccine deployment at St. John's. The safety and well-being of our residents and staff members remains our top priority.

This was certainly a positive day for St. John's—a welcomed refuge from the continuing pandemic.

Sincerely,

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