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High Point CVB Update

Dear Partners,

Last week, Governor Cooper and his team, laid out general steps for moving forward; increase in testing, more tracing, and trends heading in the right direction. After analysis, it's clear we are flattening the curve but the state is not ready to lift restrictions; therefore Governor Cooper has extended the "Stay At Home" order through May 8. His team has developed a three stage plan that will stimulate the economy once we've hit the benchmarks.

Phase 1:

- Stay at home order remains in place, people can leave home for commercial activity
- Retailers and services need to implement social distancing, cleaning and other protocols
- Gatherings limited to no more than 10 people
- Parks can open subject to gathering limits
- Face coverings recommended in public
- Restrictions remain in place for nursing homes and other congregate living settings
- Encourage continued teleworking
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Phase 2 (at least 2-3 weeks after Phase 1):

- Lift stay at home order with strong encouragement for vulnerable populations to continue staying at home
- Allow limited opening of restaurants, bars and other businesses that can follow strict safety protocols (reduced capacity)
- Allow gathering at houses of worship and entertainment venues at reduced capacity
- Increase in number of people allowed at gatherings
- Open public playgrounds
- Continue rigorous restrictions on nursing homes and congregant care settings

Phase 3 (at least 4-6 weeks after Phase 2):

- Lessen restrictions for vulnerable populations with encouragement to continue practicing physical distancing
- Allow increased capacity at restaurants, bars, other businesses, houses of worship and entertainment venues
- Further increase the number of people at gatherings
- Continue rigorous restricts on nursing homes and congregate care settings

Government officials said in places where the local government and state government "stay at home" orders differ, the more restrictive order applies. The "stay at home" order is mandatory for all North Carolinians to follow and is considered a Class 2 misdemeanor enforceable by law enforcement.

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