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Dear Residents,

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We hope that you and your loved ones are healthy. Whether you have heard stories of those impacted by this virus through unemployment or furlough, experienced the virus yourself, or even worse, you have been impacted with the loss of a loved one, this virus affects each of us on a level we never could have imagined. Our hearts go out to each of you.

We have communicated with you concerning various procedures during these times, and we felt it appropriate to talk about the financial viewpoint that may assist those whom have been laid off or furloughed. President Trump signed a \$100 billion coronavirus aid package into law, called the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security act (the CARES Act). Among other benefits, the CARES Act provides emergency assistance to persons affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. Please reference Internet resources, including (<https://www.npr.org/2020/03/26/821457551/whats-inside-the-senate-s-2-trillion-coronavirus-aid-package>) for additional information.

- Checks- will be issued to most taxpayers beginning at \$1,200 for individuals whose income is \$75,000 or less, and \$2,400 for couples whose income is \$150,000 or less. The amount of support begins to phase out by \$5 for every \$100 of income over the threshold, with ceilings of \$99,000 for individuals and \$198,000 for couples. In addition, there is a \$500 payment per dependent. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) advised they will use filers' 2019 tax returns to determine income level and dependents. If taxpayers have not yet filed their returns for 2019, the IRS will use the information reported on the 2018 return.
- Retirement Plans- Until the close of 2020, you may withdraw up to \$100,000 from retirement plans without the customary early withdrawal fee for COVID-19 related expenses.
- Student Loans- Federal student loan payments are suspended for 60 days with no penalties.
- Charitable Contributions- For those who itemize deductions, they may deduct \$300 in charitable contributions for the 2020 calendar year.
- Pandemic Unemployment Assistance Program- expands unemployment insurance to cover individuals who are not currently covered by traditional unemployment assistance. This includes persons unable to work due to the virus (including illness, isolation/quarantine or child care); those self-employed and contractors; part-time workers; and those with inconsistent work history.
- Unemployment Insurance Compensation- will now include an additional \$600 per week for up to four months, including a 13-week expansion of unemployment insurance for anyone covered by traditional unemployment insurance or the new Pandemic Unemployment Assistance program (up to 39 weeks total); and Federal funding to states to eliminate the waiting week between applying for and receiving unemployment assistance.

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On behalf of all of us at Alexander Wolf & Company, Inc., we wish you and your family, the very best during this emergency.

Sincerely,

Charles J. Incandela
Vice President - Director of Management