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Dear members,

I'm providing an update to you on how the Greater Boston Chamber is reacting to the COVID-19 outbreak.

First, on behalf of staff, I want to express our deep gratitude to all of our members for their partnership and understanding as we navigate this unprecedented situation. In particular, all of us are grateful for the public and private health care institutions, businesses, and employees who are on the front lines.

Earlier this week the Chamber, consistent with guidance from Governor Baker, decided to reschedule or "go virtual" for all of our programs and events through May 1, 2020. Our [website](#) is updated to reflect those changes.

As an employer, the Chamber has offered all employees the option to work from home through next Friday, March 20. We're taking this one week at a time, but the Chamber does not plan to shut down and there will be staff in the office each day.

And while precautions are both prudent and necessary, it's also an opportunity to show the compassion and leadership that the people of Massachusetts are known for. Support your neighbors and colleagues, and remember that we're all in this together. Let's not let fear overcome our instincts for empathy and humanity.

We are regularly updating our [resource page](#) to provide reliable, accurate information.

Thank you again for your understanding.

Jim