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PRESS RELEASE

DOWNEY CONTINUES TO MONITOR CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) ACTIVITY

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To Our Downey Community Members:

We understand that many of our residents may be concerned about the global outbreak of the Coronavirus and we want to assure you that safeguarding our community's health and safety is our top priority.

Over the last several weeks, we have been working very closely with partner agencies such as L.A. County Department of Public Health, L.A. County Emergency Management Services Agency, Downey Unified School District, and our local Downey hospitals. In fact, today City staff from several departments, including Police and Fire, met with Downey Unified Administrators to share information and discuss preventive measures to ensure the well-being of our local students, their families, and our community as a whole.

The City has not received notification of any confirmed Coronavirus cases in Downey, but I do want to encourage all of you to closely monitor your health, as well as practice the same preventive care recommendations from health experts that we normally do during flu season:

- Wash hands routinely with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Cover a cough or sneeze with a tissue or sleeve.
- Do not touch eyes, nose, or mouth — germs are often spread this way.
- Do not share personal items.

To help you be fully informed with up-to-date, factual information about Coronavirus (COVID-19) and expert guidance on how you can take precautions to minimize your risk of infection, please visit the [L.A. County Department of Public Health](#) and [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) websites.

Sincerely,

Mayor Blanca Pacheco

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