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Executive Director of Personnel Services and Benefits
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Dear Ms. Kollner:

As we have seen some movement on health and safety concerns in some facilities/offices, it is unfortunately not enough. We must see the following, at a minimum, at the 24/7 operations and offices open to the public immediately.

- 1. Immediate and daily testing for the Coronavirus of all employees, patients, inmates, and any other ward of the state.
- 2. Immediate and mandatory use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for all employees going forward.
- 3. Written plans for the handling of all employees, patients, inmates, and any other ward of the state that tests positive for the virus.

This is a matter of life or death and it must be addressed NOW!

We are seeing the virus rapidly spread. There is no more time for inaction or debate on whether or not PPE's are necessary. Anyone believing extra precaution is unwarranted at this point is reckless and should be ordered to stand down and step aside.

With great concern,

Patrick Moran President

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