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Dear Friends:

Out of an abundance of caution, Shabbat services this evening and tomorrow morning have been cancelled. The professional staff and lay leadership have been closely monitoring the COVID-19 developments all week. Yesterday afternoon, Rabbi Zehavi, together with several hundred other faith leaders from across New York State, participated in a conference call with the Lt. Governor who provided various guidelines for keeping houses of worship as immune as possible from the virus. We have also and will continue consulting with a local infectious disease physician. While TAY has already implemented most of the recommendations, there were several recommendations that simply could not be timely implemented for this Shabbat.

The decision to cancel Shabbat services tonight and tomorrow morning was not based on the recommendation of the medical community or any State or local governmental agency. The decision was made simply to keep our community as safe as possible so that our staff could implement the additional precautions which just could not be completed in this short time period.

For now, daily minyan, religious school and all other TAY programming will continue as scheduled. Any additional changes will be communicated to you as quickly as possible.

Please be assured, that the professional staff and lay leadership will continue monitoring this developing situation very closely. Your health and safety is our main concern.

On behalf of the professional staff and lay leadership, we want to wish you a peaceful and healthy Shabbat.

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