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**To:** Assembly  
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Assembly members,

As a former ER and ICU nurse for many years, I applaud your careful, cautious, considered approach to leading this community in the efforts to minimize impacts and contain spread of the novel corona virus. I fully support proactive plans to provide spaces for those who may be infectious but are not able to self-quarantine.

There will always be tensions between the arenas of rights versus responsibilities and this pandemic has highlighted those tensions. My best hope is that we can listen to each other respectfully and continue to create solutions based on science, the precautionary principle, and awareness of the needs of our most vulnerable citizens.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Smith