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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**From the Office of the Mayor of Caldwell and Caldwell City Council President***RE: City of Caldwell COVID-19 Update*

CALDWELL - The City of Caldwell is implementing measures to ensure that the City, our citizens, emergency and healthcare providers are prepared for a COVID-19 outbreak. The safety and wellness of our residents is of the highest priority, and in cooperation with federal, state and local officials it is imperative that we take every precaution to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and protect our citizens.

Effective immediately, the City of Caldwell is cancelling the following events until further notice:

- Mayor's State of the City
- Mayor's Youth Advisory Council Annual Fundraising Dinner
- All City Recreation events, including youth basketball and volleyball, and the Caldwell Recreation Annual Easter Egg Scramble at Memorial Park
- All Caldwell Event Center scheduled events
- 'Swing into Spring at the Library' Gala (postponed)
- Family Fun Day at Whittenberger Park/Rotary Pond scheduled for June 13, 2020
- The Caldwell City Clerk's office will cancel the issuance of any special event permits for gatherings of 250 people or more on City property including for Indian Creek Plaza (Caldwell Train Depot events for less than 250 people will NOT be affected)
- In-state and out-of-state travel for all City employees and elected officials for 90 days (subject to change). All City employees are encouraged to use teleconference where possible.

The City is also providing hand sanitizer and cleaning supplies to its employees and City offices and encouraging frequent handwashing and cleanliness as per CDC guidelines. City employees and residents are encouraged to avoid large public gatherings and to stay home and contact their healthcare provider if exhibiting symptoms of illness, such as cough or fever.

Our local elected and appointed officials are cooperating throughout the Treasure Valley. We are currently working with Central District Health, Southwest District Health, West Valley Medical Center, St. Luke's, St. Alphonsus, Canyon County, Ada County and the Treasure Valley cities in a Valley-wide plan to ensure the community approach is coordinated for the safety of the public in being able to maintain and provide services. Fire and EMS providers are coordinating with the Ada and Canyon County Emergency Managers to ensure adequate supplies, staffing and prevention measures are in place. At this point in time, it is the goal of the City of Caldwell and our local partners to prevent a widespread outbreak that would cripple our healthcare systems.

Preventative measures will ensure that our healthcare providers will not be overwhelmed in the case of an outbreak. First and foremost, the City of Caldwell is dedicated to protecting the well-being of our employees and residents, particularly those that remain vulnerable to COVID-19. At this time, we appreciate our citizens' cooperation, patience and understanding.

City officials are closely monitoring the situation day by day and will update the public as new information comes to light.