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Re. The BCSEM Summer Quarterly Meeting in Northville Has Been Cancelled

Greetings, BCSEM Members:

The current COVID-19 pandemic has affected every layer of society, and the way we currently live our lives. As I write this letter, it was reported that Michigan now has 30,791 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the state. The Governor's Executive Order restricting out-of-home activity to essential work only is expected to be eased or modified by May 1. However, the dangers of COVID-19 virus will still exist and many social distancing and personal protective measures will still need to be practiced.

With this in mind, the City of Northville Beautification Commission leadership and BCSEM leadership recently discussed the feasibility and appropriateness of hosting a Quarterly Meeting so soon after an acute pandemic event. It has been widely-recommended by the content experts that persons, especially the elderly and those with underlying health conditions, avoid close contact with other persons who exhibit respiratory symptoms (coughing, sneezing, etc.), and avoid large groups and gatherings where this virus could potentially spread rapidly.

For these reasons, and in our efforts as responsible, civic-minded organizations, the BCSEM and City of Northville Beautification Commission have decided to cancel the Summer Quarterly Meeting and program originally scheduled to take place on Thursday, June 18, 2020. The City of Northville has agreed instead to host the June 17, 2021 Summer Quarterly Meeting at Mill Race Historic Village. We are all looking forward to conquering this deadly virus, and better days ahead. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly. Thank you for your understanding, and Be Safe!

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