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MEMORANDUM

TO: Jewish Senior Services Community

FROM: Andrew H. Banoff

President & CEO

SUBJECT: <u>COVID-19 Update #116</u>

Hello all...

First, we must acknowledge that the number of deaths in the United States reached 1 million, and we cannot lose sight of the enormous impact of the pandemic on our lives. May their memories be for a blessing.

In the past 2 weeks (since my last Update) there have been 1 Resident and 7 staff cases of COVID-19. It again serves a reminder of how it is important that we continue to follow all the core principles of Infection Control including screening upon entering the building and mask wearing. Community prevalence continues to go in the wrong direction – with more cases than any week since the end of January, and nearly 300 people again hospitalized.

On a much more positive note, I am quite pleased to share with you that our application (General Development Plan) to move forward with the development of **The Dogwoods**®@ **Long Ridge** in Stamford has been unanimously approved by the Zoning Board! This means that we are proceeding with the architectural Schematic Design to get to financing by the Fall. Our goal is to acquire the land, begin the marketing efforts, and continue the architectural design work as soon as possible after this first financing is completed. Permanent (construction) financing will take place after we achieve 70% pre-sales of the 168 Independent Living units (118 units) – meaning a 10% deposit on the Entrance Fees associated with the unit. Naturally, much more information will follow in our next issue of *Chai Lights*, but I wanted to be sure to share the good news with our community. If you are interested in participating in the market research or learning more about the proposed community please let me know.

As you know, we have begun a project in the Main Courtyard that will include Jerusalem stone on the concrete seating wall, and an enhanced visitation area with "grass" that has been installed, shading and new furniture. There continues to be nice progress on this project.

Stay safe and keep the faith! Andrew