

## A Statement From Our Owners on the Coronavirus Outbreak

Our top priority is the safety, health and wellbeing of our Residents and Staff. We are continuing to closely monitor the global spread of COVID-19 (the Novel Coronavirus) and are coordinating with the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention and local health departments to ensure we are taking necessary precautions to help prevent the spread of this virus.

The top management of The 80<sup>th</sup> Street Residence has over 200 years of experience caring for seniors, and infection control is part of our every day operations. While COVID-19 poses a grave concern, cold and flu season is a risk for seniors every year. 80<sup>th</sup> Street maintains a rigorous Infection Control and Prevention Program, which is regularly updated to reflect current CDC guidance.

## Out of an abundance of caution, we began implementing a number of measures months ago to help protect our Residents and Staff from COVID-19, including:

- Conducting Resident health evaluations, including temperature checks and respiratory assessments.
- Instructing Staff members to stay home if sick or experiencing virus symptoms, and asking Staff to selfquarantine in cases of possible exposure to infectious illness.
- Screening of all team members and visitors for possible illness potential exposure to the virus.
- Re-educating our Staff and monitoring to ensure that the community teams are following the standards in our evidence-based Infection Control and Prevention Program, such as frequent handwashing, cleaning of high-touch surfaces, and other recommended hygiene measures.

As we continue to adjust our precautions as recommended by the CDC and local health departments, our team is also working to maintain normalcy for our Residents and Families despite this situation. We want to thank our Residents, Families and Staff for their understanding, cooperation and words of support in recent days. We are humbled by and appreciative of the trust you place in us every day.

## Wayne Kaplan and Larry Morehead, Founders and Owners