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Dear Members:

In light of increasing concerns regarding COVID-19 (coronavirus), we want you to know that the health and safety of visitors to the Dothan Area Botanical Gardens is a top priority. We are monitoring recommendations from the CDC and local health department guidelines to help prevent the spread of the virus.

THE GARDENS CONTINUES TO REMAIN OPEN DURING REGULAR OPERATING HOURS, but we have taken the following precautionary measures to keep our guests healthy, including:

- Cancellation of our "Plant Lover Preview Party" on Thursday, March 26th. The plant sale will continue as planned from 8:00am till noon on Friday & Saturday.
- Cancellation of our "Photography Workshop" on Saturday, April 18th. A large portion of this workshop involved time indoors, so it has been cancelled as a precautionary measure.
- Increased sanitizing & cleaning of the Botanical Center. We have increased the frequency of wiping down high-touch areas (door handles, sinks, etc.) with a disinfectant.

If you have already purchased a ticket to the "Plant Lovers Preview Party" or reserved a space for the Photography Workshop, your fees will be automatically refunded.

The Dothan Area Botanical Gardens provides local access to open spaces and walking trails that may become important to people at this time. We are a haven, providing an opportunity for recreation, reflection, and activity when people are discouraged from being in large crowds or visiting theatres, restaurants, etc.

We are closely monitoring this situation and will communicate any other changes through our website, email, and social media channels. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at the Gardens.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William Holman", written over a horizontal line.

William Holman
Executive Director