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## **HONOR FLIGHT ROCHESTER POSTPONES APRIL 4/5 MISSION**

Honor Flight Rochester (“HFR”) has decided to postpone its April 4-5, 2020 Mission as a precautionary measure. HFR Missions are meant to be the trip of a lifetime for our area’s beloved Veterans. Those Veterans’ tend to have medical conditions that put them at greater risk for contracting viruses, including the recent, serious Coronavirus (“COVID-19”).

The coronavirus situation is fast developing. Just six weeks ago the Center for Disease Control (“CDC”) reported the first case in the U.S.. HFR has been monitoring the situation ever since. Although there are no domestic travel advisories from the government or other travel industry entities, yesterday morning HFR leadership, in consultation with highly tenured health professionals, made the decision to postpone what was to be Mission 70, our April 4/5 mission. The well-being of our veterans, guardians and support teams is most important. The Greater Rochester Area Veterans will be better served by delaying this Mission.

Here are several key points:

- 1) The April 4/5 Mission is postponed due to the evolving COVID-19 situation.
- 2) Other Spring Missions will be re-assessed based on the risk factors at that time to our travelers. There is no certainty as to when the risk factors will subside.
- 3) This is the prudent path to follow. We want to avoid the potential contamination of our Veterans and team members or travel delays due to quarantine risks.

Please share this information with the volunteers on your teams. Many questions will arise.

Please send your questions and comments to my attention at:

[Publicity@HonorFlightRochester.org](mailto:Publicity@HonorFlightRochester.org).

I will do my best to provide diligent answers. In the near future HFR will have a protocol for notifying travelers of the postponement of the April 4/5 mission.

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