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### FROM THE PRESIDENT:

We are all experiencing troubling times. We would probably tell our students, “This is a challenging assignment, but it is not beyond your capabilities to accomplish.” Your BCRTA Board had begun planning the activities for our 2020 meetings. We were excited about our ideas, and eager to set them into motion. However, our plans, like yours, have come to a screeching halt. It is the consensus of the Board, driven by state and federal guidelines, that we must cancel the May and June meetings of BCRTA. As retired folks, our membership is composed of those most at risk from the effects of this possible life-threatening viral disease. The Board is in agreement that we must suspend the requirements of the association’s By-Laws, and take this unexpected, but necessary action. Even though 2020 is the established year to elect officers, the current Board members will continue to hold their respective offices until this present situation resolves.

The BCRTA Board hopes you will respect and accept the action we have chosen. Further, we strongly encourage each of you to follow safe procedures to protect yourself and your family.



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**Thanks to Amy Huffman Oliver post on Facebook  
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When this is over,  
may we never again  
take for granted  
A handshake with a stranger  
Full shelves at the store  
Conversations with neighbors  
A crowded theater  
Friday night out  
The taste of communion  
A routine checkup  
The school rush each morning  
Coffee with a friend  
The stadium roaring  
Each deep breath  
A boring Tuesday  
Life itself.  
When this ends,  
may we find  
that we have become  
more like the people  
we wanted to be  
we were called to be  
we hoped to be  
and may we stay  
that way—better  
for each other  
because of the worst.