Good Morning Everyone,

I wanted to advise that late yesterday afternoon the Province of Ontario announced that Hamilton would be moving into the Grey Stage/Lockdown on Monday December 21, 2020 at 12:01a.m.

It's unfortunate that this information wasn't received prior to 4:30pm yesterday - I have gathered information to help educate yourselves on what this means. This looks very similar to the Lockdown/Stage 1 reopening that we experienced earlier this year. Some key elements:

 \* Only essential businesses are to be open for in-store shopping. Retail, Personal Services, Professional Services, etc. are closed. Pick-ups/Curbside/Delivery are all still options for customers

 \* Seated Dining (indoor and outdoor) is not allowed at all. Take-Out, Drive Thru and Delivery from restaurants is available.

 \* Please note this includes any approvals for Outdoor Dining Districts (both public and private property) - these will all be suspended/revoked until these Provincial orders are lifted. No outdoor dining of any kind permitted in lockdown.

Here are some great resources to help understand the limitations and rules in the Grey Stage:

Province of Ontario Press Release<<https://news.ontario.ca/en/release/59776/ontario-taking-further-action-to-limit-spread-of-covid-19>>

COVID-19 Response Framework<<https://files.ontario.ca/moh-covid-19-response-framework-keeping-ontario-safe-and-open-en-2020-11-24.pdf>>

I am sorry to send this information to you so late. If is anything I can do to help please reach out to me by email or phone.

Thank you for your attention to this email.

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