Statement from University of Colorado President Mark Kennedy and Board of Regents Chairman Glen Gallegos

(Wednesday, March 11, 2020) -- We have been actively engaged with University of Colorado campuses in our evolving plans to ensure the health and safety of our students, faculty and staff, which is our top priority. We worked with the campuses to determine our approach and we support the measures they announced today. Their prudent measures will help limit the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19) by restricting travel, limiting large gatherings and making provisions for remote learning and working. We appreciate how the entire University of Colorado community is stepping up to address the threat, particularly the hard work of our faculty and staff to ensure we continue to deliver great education, even during these challenging circumstances. We know that each of our four campuses and system administration are unique communities that are taking steps to best address their individual needs while also meeting our collective health and safety imperatives. We are convening a special meeting of the CU Board of Regents on Friday to further discuss the fluid situation.

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Coronavirus: The steps we are taking to ensure the health and safety of our CU community

(Friday, March 6, 2020) -- The health and safety of the University of Colorado community is our highest priority as we coordinate our response to addressing coronavirus (COVID-19). It is receiving the highest level of attention on our campuses and system administration. I am having regular, ongoing conversations with the four campus chancellors and engaging experts inside and outside the university. We are regularly communicating with the CU Board of Regents. It would be irresponsible if we did not prepare for the likely event of cases of the virus on our campuses. We have contingency plans for our fundamental activities in teaching and research, and we continue to refine those and additional operational contingencies. We are keeping students, faculty and staff apprised with updates. While we are addressing the issue at hand, we are also taking the long view and planning for dealing with it in the weeks and months ahead. We are prepared for a fast-moving and ever-evolving situation.
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