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Dear Residents of Hanau,

the effects of the worldwide Corona-virus Pandemic have also hit Hanau. There is no reason to panic but the situation is very serious and is constantly changing.

Our top priority is your protection. That is why we, the crisis action committee, are constantly adapting our strategy. We are asking for your help; we need your help- and we also will be there for you.

First, the most important measure: Since there is currently no medication that can fight the virus, it is now most important that we slow down its spread. That is why I am asking you to avoid social contact with others. That is currently the only way we have to slow the spread of the Corona-virus. According to current information, the symptoms for about 80% of people will be very mild. However, there also exist an elevated risk for older individuals and individuals with pre-existing conditions. We can and must protect these individuals.

Therefore, we have closed schools, preschools and other public institutions until at least April 19th and that is why public life is currently so restricted. Therefore, I am urging you: Stay at home if at all possible, avoid, in any case, contact with people who are not part of your immediate household and please explain the above-mentioned measures to your children.

We, the city of Hanau, want, as much as it is possible, to do our part in overcoming this crisis together. It is important that we do not take this crisis lightly. The community of Hanau will overcome this situation without falling into panic, but rather standing together and unwaveringly calm-just as we are known to do.

Already at the beginning of March, we formed an crisis action committee in which employees from all areas of the city administration as well as other district, state and federal offices and institutions are working in close consultation together in order to make decisions, manage, act and react to this crisis. It isn't a matter of simply



forbidding certain actions, but most importantly that of organizing aid. For you, dear residents, and for our business owners. We are making every effort to ensure that you have access to central personnel here at the city administration who can answer all of your questions.

Hanau stands together- also and especially in this extraordinary crisis. This also means that you should always check the validity of the messages circulating on the internet and on different social media platforms. For example, the food supply is secure; there is no need to stockpile groceries. We have taken many direct measures for you, our residents, in order to respond to these unique challenges. I ask for your understanding for the drastic measures that have been taken.

Sincerely,

Claus Kaminsky Mayor

P.S. Please also visit our city website www.corona.hanau.de, where we are posting the latest information. Follow us on Twitter (@Brueder_Grimm). You can reach our resident hotline Monday to Sunday between 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. at 06181 / 6764117. If you have any medical questions, please contact the Main-Kinzig-Kreis hotline at 06051 / 8510000 or, in an emergency, your family doctor or emergency services at 116 117.