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Dear Friends,

As the national and global crisis caused by the spread of COVID-19 continues to evolve and new announcements and guidance come from our national and local governments, we at the Academy have reassessed our procedures for operating and opening.

Yesterday, President Trump extended the national guidelines on physical distancing and other protective measures through April 30, and just today, the Governors of Maryland and Virginia and the Mayor of Washington D.C. each issued “stay home” orders for their citizens. Those orders come on the heels of last week’s guidance to keep non-essential businesses closed through at least April 24.

As a result, the Academy has decided to extend the closure of its in-person operations through May 2. For the health and safety of all, our full-time staff will continue telework and all of our meetings will be held through virtual platforms. However, all of our study projects will continue, as will most of our group meetings. All meetings of our study panels and standing panels will be conducted through Zoom, and meeting notifications have been updated to insure that a Zoom connection is included in the invitation. Any forums or working groups will also meet via Zoom.

While you should not plan to visit our Washington, D.C. office in person at this time, you can reach all Academy staff during business hours via their e-mail addresses, which can be found [here](#). These operational changes will be in place through May 2, 2020, and possibly longer. We appreciate your understanding, and we will keep you posted as the situation evolves.

Again, we know that many of you are on the front lines of response in the current situation, and many more of you are ensuring that essential government functions continue at a time of unprecedented disruption. Others of you are educators, working hard to make sure that our schools and universities continue to attend to the needs of their students.

Please know that you have our unwavering support. We are grateful for your commitment and for all that you are doing to ensure our government works, and works for all. The Academy sends its best wishes that you stay safe and healthy.

Sincerely,  
Terry

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