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Governor Sununu,

We, the undersigned Democrats in the New Hampshire House, implore you to immediately issue a "stay-at-home" order to slow the spread of COVID-19 in New Hampshire. As our hospitals and the mayors of our largest cities have noted, every day that passes without a stay-at-home directive brings exponential growth to the health risks faced by Granite Staters, and unsustainable pressure on New Hampshire's healthcare services which will lead to unnecessary loss of life. As you have acknowledged, we likely remain far from the peak of COVID-19 infections in New Hampshire.

Many of us own or work at small businesses and understand that ordering non-essential businesses to close is a drastic step that will exacerbate the disruption COVID-19 has already brought to everyday life. However, as we have seen in other countries and other states, taking decisive action will slow the spread of the virus, save lives and allow our economy to rebound stronger and faster. The steps we have taken so far, which include telling people to keep their social gatherings to under 10 people, are simply not enough.

Monday's announcement of the first death from COVID-19 in New Hampshire emphasizes the urgency in our communities to take decisive steps to combat this deadly virus. Closing non-essential businesses and ordering people to stay at home are bold steps critical to that effort. Please join the states across America, including our neighbors Massachusetts and Vermont, that have taken these critical steps to slow the spread of COVID-19.

Signed,

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