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Dear Mariemont Residents,

As the COVID-19 situation continues to evolve and our community begins the reopening process, there are a myriad of unprecedented decisions the Mayor and Village Council are facing. One of the most immediate of these decisions is whether to open the Mariemont Community Pool this summer.

First and foremost, the safety of our residents is our primary consideration. At this time, the State of Ohio has mandated that community pools remain closed until May 30. Given the lead time necessary to prepare the pool for operation, this means that any opening would happen by late June or July. In addition, operation would have to include new safety practices. The Swim Pool Board and Task Force are actively searching for authoritative guidance for how to safely operate the pool. In any event, if the pool does reopen this summer, the experience will not be the same as in past seasons.

In addition to the safety concern, there are significant financial issues to consider. For the last few years, the pool has operated at a significant deficit. Prior to the pandemic, Village Council had commissioned a task force to investigate and come up with recommendations to address this issue. The Village is facing a reduction and delay of revenues due to COVID-19, so all expenditures in Mariemont need to be carefully monitored and considered.

We recognize that the pool is a treasured institution in the Village. We appreciate your patience and will keep you updated as the situation unfolds.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "William A. Brown".

Mayor Bill Brown

Joe Stelzer, Council Member

Marcy Lewis, Council Member