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HOPI NATION HALTS ALL TOURISM

Hopi Tribal Chairman Timothy L. Nuvangyaoma and Vice-Chairman Clark W. Tenakhongva Issue an Executive Order

KYKOTSMOVI, AZ – March 23, 2020 — As the COVID-19 cases continue to rise across the country and in neighboring communities, the Hopi Tribe has joined nationwide response efforts to combat the virus and help mitigate the spread of this disease.

In order to protect the Community at large, during this unprecedented pandemic, the Hopi Tribal Chairman Timothy L. Nuvangyaoma and Vice-Chairman Clark W. Tenakhongva, announce the following Executive Order for the Hopi Nation:

1. All tours on Hopi, including site visits to villages will be cancelled.
2. All historical landmarks, parks and tourist destinations will be closed.
3. Any and all large groups visiting Hopi will not be authorized.

Chairman Nuvangyaoma makes it distinctly clear by adding, “We humbly ask that all outside visitors to the Hopi Reservation cease travel to Hopi. We need to protect our people from the Coronavirus, this pandemic is very serious and we need to limit those coming onto our homeland”.

In light of recent events, the greater Hopi Community’s concerns were considered carefully in the decision to limit access to the Hopi Reservation. “As we all navigate this uncertain period, we will continue to solicit guidance from the Arizona Department of Health and other relevant authorities. We urge all Hopi Sinom to heed the guidance of state, federal, and Tribal agencies, and to continue taking precautionary steps to protect their health and the health of those around them,” added Vice-Chairman Clark W. Tenakhongva.

The Hopi Tribe appreciates the understanding of those impacted by this mandate and also reminds everyone to assist in this critically important measure to help stop COVID-19.

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