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Subject: Special Announcement: Coronavirus/CLTA 2020 Conference

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Dear CLTA members,

As the coronavirus continues to be a global public health concern, we are writing to inform you that the CLTA 2020 conference committee has been closely monitoring and discussing this issue. Our top priority is the health and well-being of all of our CLTA members and their communities. For this reason, the CLTA conference committee is monitoring daily updates from the World Health Organization (WHO), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), as well as the advice and updates released daily by the Professional Conference Managers Association (PCMA).

Currently, preparations are progressing well and we plan to hold the CLTA 2020 Conference as scheduled at the **Hilton Hotel at the Washington Dulles Airport, April 3rd- 5th, 2020**. Please also check the CLTA 2020 Conference website for updates: https://clta-us.org/clta-annual-conference/

We will provide concessions for those who are unable to travel due to travel restrictions, and are taking measures such as providing hand sanitizers to attendees, encouraging frequent hand washing, and helping the air to circulate well in the conference rooms.

We will continue to monitor the situation and will follow the CDC and PCMA guidelines and post updates with any new information for attendees as it becomes available.

In the meantime, we know many in our community are concerned about the welfare of family and friends in their home communities who are impacted by the virus. We express our sincere best wishes to all. Thank you for joining us in nurturing a healthy CLTA community for all.

Sincerely,

CLTA 2020 Annual Conference Organizing committee: YUAN Fangyuan 袁芳远 (conference chair) HE Baozhang 何宝璋 (conference officer) LI Shuai 郦帅 & XU Yi 许怡 (conference program) WU Sue-mei 吴素美 (CLTA Headquarters)