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Phone: 208-585-1760 ~ Jim Vandermaas, Candidate for US Senate, Limiting of Events due to Corona Virus Concerns.

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Jim Vandermaas, candidate for US Senate, announcing: "Limiting of Events due to Corona Virus Concerns: Introducing new 'Virtual Campaign Event' format."

After careful consideration, and in an abundance of caution, out of concern for the public as well as our staff and others, Jim has decided to limit our public events and 'door-to-door' campaigning for the time being.

We are developing 'virtual meeting' or 'virtual Town Hall' campaigning by scaling video webinars to suit our voter's needs, and tailor to your events. And we welcome 'virtual Forums' if our opponents are willing.

All of us at the Vandermaas Campaign believe that no one should panic. Instead we believe that all due caution should be exercised by frequent handwashing, social distancing, and avoiding crowds. Apparently even the 'elbow bump' or 'shoe tap' may be considered too close, but know that a warm smile still travels much further and says more! Please refer to the CDC Website for more information:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/index.html>

While Jim still wants to get out and meet the voters of Idaho, he doesn't want any people to feel as though they are at risk when learning about his candidacy and where he stands on our important issues. As such our staff is going to start implementing video webinars to ensure we can reach our voters and get them the interaction and information that they need to make informed choices in this upcoming election.

We hope all Idahoans understand this simply a cautionary step to protect the most vulnerable and not an over-reaction. Healthy people can still get Covid-19 with light or few symptoms, but still pass it to loved ones who don't have the strength to fight this virus. Diverse organizations across the United States are taking similar cautionary steps, for instance the NBA has announced today that the entire remainder of their season will be suspended because at least one player tested positive, the NHL has paused their season, and major US cities are restricting or limiting ang events that draw crowds. Idaho, as of March 12th, currently has no cases of Covid-19. Idaho health systems have only tested 93 people, 4 of whom are from Oregon, which means only 0.00494% of Idaho residents have been tested. As with other states, we believe that the more they test, the more cases they will likely find.

Our webinar and virtual campaigning capabilities will go online tomorrow! For more information or to schedule a 'Q&A' with our Campaign, email us at info@VoteVandermaas.com , and go to <http://votevandermaas.com/> to keep up on the latest!

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