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Dear PAMET-USA Inc. Members, 17th BNC Speakers and Guests,

After our thoughtful deliberations and in response to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), different State and Public Health directives, evolving situation with the Novel Corona Virus (CoVID-19) and in response to the notices from our members and speakers regarding state and institutional travel bans, the 17th Biennial National Convention Organizing Committee along with the PAMET-USA Executive Board made a very difficult but necessary decision to indefinitely postpone the 17th Biennial National Convention set to take place August 6 to 9, 2020 in San Francisco, California.

Based on the latest guidance from difference federal, state and public health officials, the travel and quarantine restrictions implemented by many medical institution, state shelter in place orders and the evolving nature of this public health crisis, it has become clear to the organizing committee and the executive board that indefinitely postponing the 17th BNC is the right course of action. We all know how much the Biennial National Convention means to our members, and we did not make this decision in haste. The health, safety and security of our members, speakers and guest are our top priorities.

Please note that our host chapter, PAMET-USA Northern California and the Organizing Committee is continuously monitoring the evolving situation and will update the membership on a new date for the 17th BNC once we get an all clear for the entire country. Thank you for your understanding. The Executive Board would also like to salute all of our members and healthcare colleagues for fulfilling their God-given vocation and healthcare responsibilities for the good of our fellowmen, communities and our country.

Sincerely,

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