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MEMORANDUM

TO: All House Members and Staff

FROM: Speaker Scott K. Saiki

RE: Capitol to Remain Closed to Public

As you are aware, the daily rate of COVID-19 cases in the state have been alarmingly high, with numbers expected to increase due to the increased transmissibility of the omicron variant.

After consultation with Senate President Kouchi, we have agreed to keep the Capitol closed to the public for the near future, as allowing more people to enter may invite the spread of COVID-19 among members, staff, visitors, and other building occupants. Details about this continued closure are forthcoming.

We expect this situation to be temporary, and will revisit the closure once the rate of daily cases abates sufficiently.

Thank you very much.

cc: Senate President Ronald D. Kouchi LRB Director Charlotte Carter-Yamauchi