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Dear Mayor and Council,

As noted in my previous e-mail regarding the one-year anniversary of the COVID-19 pandemic, the City will produce a short commemorative video to be posted March 11 on [vancouver.ca](http://vancouver.ca) and social media channels. The video will highlight:

- The hardships that COVID-19 has had on residents and the disproportionate toll on the most vulnerable members of our community
- The tragic death toll - 266 people have lost their lives due to COVID-19 in Vancouver as of March 1, 2021
- A recognition of the heroic efforts of our community during this difficult time, especially our frontline and healthcare workers
- The hope on the horizon with the vaccine roll out, but we still have a ways to go before our lives can return to a new normal

Staff recommend that the video conclude with each Councillor providing a very short message of hope, solidarity and gratitude to the community.

We ask that you record a 5 second message on your smart phone and send it to [lesley.matthews@vancouver.ca](mailto:lesley.matthews@vancouver.ca) **by 5 pm on Friday, March 5.** For the best video quality and to keep the video short for social media purposes, kindly:

- Record your video using an uncluttered background that is not brighter than the Councillor in view
- Ensure the lens is focused
- Record message in portrait orientation
- Keep your video message to a maximum of 5 seconds. Videos that are longer may be edited down for timing purposes.

Thanks,  
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