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Dear Cecil County Citizens,

It is an exciting weekend ahead as the weather forecast appears to be excellent and ideal for outside dining. I encourage all citizens, if you feel comfortable and are so inclined, to continue to support our local businesses. The restaurant owners I have spoken with are totally ready to serve the cuisine that their diners have come to expect. People are excited to be able to go out to eat!

My heart goes out to the existing local businesses that are still not permitted to open by State of Maryland mandate. I have encouraged Governor Hogan, as I did with outside dining restrictions, to move forward to Stage 2 of the [Maryland Strong: Roadmap to Recovery](#) plan as expeditiously as possible while stipulating that appropriate hygiene protocols be followed.

As we prepare to enter Week #11 of following COVID-19 protocols directed by Governor Hogan, please continue to practice safe social distancing and wearing of masks when required, or just as a wise course of action.

Stay safe and be well.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Alan J. McCarthy".

Dr. Alan J. McCarthy  
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