Governor Gretchen Whitmer  
Executive Office of the Governor  
111 S. Capital Avenue  
Lansing, MI  48933

April 24, 2020

Dear Governor Whitmer,

The Michigan Concrete Association is providing notice that the construction industry is ready to work safely in a manner that is consistent with guidance and requirements issued by Federal, state and county authorities. We have proven our abilities to do so on several of the critical infrastructure projects that have continued to operate during the shutdown. Maintaining operations for only a portion of our business operations is at best difficult. We need to open the remainder of the Michigan Construction Industry which would include home building and commercial construction. The latest guidance from CISA recognizes the critical nature of the entire industry and its ability to work safely:

- Construction sites have limited contact with the general population. Based on CDC Risk Analysis, CONSTRUCTION is a LOW-RISK of EXPOSURE ENVIRONMENT.
- Workers that feel symptoms are not allowed to work.
- We have established procedures that will naturally promote and utilize a six-foot safe distancing regimen for all workers.
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) is provided as required to all workers. Frequent hand washing is promoted.
- We have established guidelines for delivery of concrete to jobsites. The driver is the only person allowed to touch any part of the mixer truck. Delivery ticket protocol has been changed to electronic or through a drop box that will allow a 6-foot personnel separation.
- Crews are instructed to avoid contact with tools or equipment not assigned to them and to sanitize tools and equipment often.

It is time to resume construction operations in Michigan, just as our neighboring states have already done. We stand ready and continue to promote a safe work environment for our most valuable assets, our people.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Daniel DeGraaf, P.E.  
Executive Director/CEO