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Dear Parents, Guardians and Stakeholders:

This weekend came with some sad news for Amego, our staff, and families. One of our long-term clients passed away yesterday after a COVID-19 related hospitalization.

David Read came to Amego in May of 1980 after living at The Wrentham Developmental Center since his early childhood. David was diagnosed with COVID-19 after having other health issues and becoming symptomatic in early April. He had been hospitalized at Sturdy Hospital and then was transferred to Tufts Medical Center in Boston. He came off his ventilator a couple of weeks ago and seemed to be recovering. He took a turn for the worse last week and apparently developed Aspiration Pneumonia. His family chose not to take any further extraordinary measures and David was transferred to a Hospice Care Facility where he passed away yesterday.

David was much loved by Amego staff, family, and friends. He was 62 years old. There will be ZOOM-based memorial to him either Wednesday or Thursday of this week. We are working with our Employee-Assistance Program to assist staff in the grieving process.

As a reminder, we will be holding our stakeholder zoom meeting on Wednesday at 5pm. Leo Sarkissian, Executive Director of The ARC of Massachusetts, will be joining us. Leo is a staunch advocate for our community and his knowledge of the systems to support our individuals is second to none. If you have any questions prior to the meeting please email them to <u>contact@amegoinc.org</u>.

Below is a link to the meeting:

Zoom Meeting Information <u>https://amegoinc.zoom.us/j/746397376</u> Meeting ID: 746 397 376 Or join meeting by Telephone: For higher quality, dial a number based on your current location. Dial: US: +1 312 626 6799 or +1 646 558 8656 or +1 253 215 8782 or +1 301 715 8592 or +1 346 248 7799 or +1 669 900 9128 Meeting ID: 746 397 376

Thank you,

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