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To the Oberlin College Community:

The City of Oberlin would like to take this opportunity to welcome all new and returning members of the Oberlin College community coming to campus this fall.

During these unprecedented times, the health and safety of the entire Oberlin community is of the utmost importance. The City of Oberlin, Oberlin College and Lorain County Public Health are all dedicated to putting forth the best practices and guidelines to decrease the spread and effects of COVID-19. The City of Oberlin supports Oberlin College's efforts to preserve the health and well-being of the campus community while continuing to offer a rewarding experience for its students, faculty and staff. We applaud the sentiments of the Community Agreement and praise your willingness to commit to those guidelines for the benefit of all. Together, as one community, we can work to keep each other safe and healthy.

Despite the unique challenges that this new academic year brings, we hope that you'll be able to explore the City of Oberlin safely and discover for yourselves what makes this city such a unique place to live, learn and lead. Put on a mask and visit our downtown shops, galleries and restaurants! Seek out safe volunteer opportunities through any of our many non-profit organizations and explore how you can contribute remotely. Practice physical distancing and enjoy our numerous parks and nature preserves during your time in Oberlin! We wish you all a full and productive experience while at Oberlin College, and we hope that the City of Oberlin will always be a special place to you.

Sincerely,

Linda Slocum City Council President Rob Hillard City Manager

For updates and information on City services and programs, including assistance programs, during the COVID-19 situation, please visit <u>www.CityofOberlin.com/Coronavirus</u>

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