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From: Grayson Gusa, Chapter President *GG*

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Ref: Telecommunicator Training Symposium Postponed

North Carolina APCO has continued to monitor the evolving COVID-19 (coronavirus) situation, especially in relation to the 2020 Telecommunicator Training Symposium. **The safety and wellbeing of our members and attendees remains our highest priority, and in an abundance of caution, we have decided to postpone the 2020 Telecommunicator Training Symposium to the fall of 2020.**

There are various, very valid perspectives of the current situation. Our attendees may not agree with this decision, so we want to share with you some of the reasoning behind it.

Why did we make this decision?

Last week our Symposium Coordinators began discussions with the host venue. The ultimate decision to postpone the event was made late on Friday, March 13, 2020. This postponement is also now taking place in accordance to Executive Order #117 issued by Governor Roy Cooper, banning mass gatherings in public places.

After the postponement, *when* will the Symposium be held?

We are actively working with the host venue to coordinate dates for the rescheduled event in the fall of 2020.

What do I need to do next?

Symposium Coordinators and your North Carolina APCO Executive Board are continuing to work with the host venue to finalize arrangements for the rescheduled event. Details, including the event dates and registration information will be shared early next week via email and through the NC APCO website at www.ncapco.org.

Who can answer more questions?

If you have immediate questions, please feel free to email me directly (grayson.gusa@ncapco.org) or email NC APCO Treasurer Lori Laughlin (lori.laughlin@ncapco.org). Otherwise, we ask that you please continue to monitor for additional communications related to the rescheduled event.

We appreciate your understanding as we all face the uncertainty of this unprecedented pandemic event and thank you for your continued support of North Carolina APCO.