August 8, 2017

Dear Lyngblomsten Family,

As you may be aware, as part of its Strategic Priorities, Lyngblomsten has been in the process of exploring a second campus. For much of this year, we have been in conversation with the leadership of North Heights Lutheran Church (one of our member congregations) about the possibility of purchasing a parcel of land from them and building a continuum-of-care campus adjacent to their church and education facilities in Arden Hills. We believe such a campus, located next to one of our member congregations, not only firmly fits the identity and vision of Lyngblomsten but also addresses the need for more senior housing in that area—not to mention the benefits a church can experience by having a vibrant senior living community as a neighbor.

Embarking on a project like this is no small task. There are many, many steps and processes involved. In May, we presented the concept to the congregation. Last evening, another major step took place. The congregation of North Heights held a special meeting to ask additional questions about the project and to vote on whether to sell a parcel of their Arden Hills property to Lyngblomsten. Unfortunately, the congregation voted no, not at this time. We extend sincere gratitude to the congregation of North Heights for hearing our proposal and for prayerfully considering the sale of their beautiful property. Special thanks goes to John Oldfield, Council President, for his leadership and thoroughness navigating the process these many months.

We are disappointed with the outcome of the vote, of course. However, we believe in God’s plan for our organization. For everything, there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven (Ecclesiastes 3:1). For more than a century, God has blessed our mission and shown us the way through ups and downs.

Nothing important is ever easy. We will continue working to make the vision of a second campus a reality.

In Christ,

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Jeff Heinecke
President & CEO

Influenced by Christ, Lyngblomsten provides a ministry of compassionate care and innovative services to older adults in order to preserve and enhance their quality of life.