Wednesday, April 8, 2020

Dear Hillsborough County neighbor,

Your health and safety are my number one priority during the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic. The virus is significantly impacting every neighborhood across the county, but I fear the effects may be even harder on our minority communities.

For many reasons, people in our culturally diverse neighborhoods often do not go to a doctor when they feel ill. However, we cannot continue to do this during this illness. We are facing a potentially devastating outbreak. This is why Hillsborough County is extending FREE testing services to individuals with symptoms that meet the testing criteria established by the Department of Health and the CDC. NO HEALTH INSURANCE is required, and there is NO COST to you. If you have symptoms, you owe it to yourself and those you love to get tested now, get the care you need, and protect your family.

If you or a family member are feeling sick with flu like symptoms such as coughing, fever, or shortness of breath, simply call the County’s customer service line at (813) 272-5900 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. They will ask you a few simple questions to find out if you meet the requirements for testing. If you do, they will schedule you for an appointment.

For the latest information on the COVID-19 coronavirus, visit HCFLGov.net/StaySafe and sign up for the HCFL Alert system.

Thank you,

Board of County Commissioners Chairman Lesley “Les” Miller, Jr.
District 3