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GOOD NEIGHBOUR PARTNERSHIP TO FIGHT COVID-19

On behalf of the government and people of St. Vincent and the Grenadines, I hereby launch a **GOOD NEIGHBOUR PARTNERSHIP** to fight COVID-19. Each of us is a neighbour to each other. Each of us has a responsibility to look after ourselves, our families, our neighbours, our communities, our nation. This responsibility resides, too, in our churches, our NGOs, our various organisations, businesses, and workplaces.

The **GOOD NEIGHBOUR PARTNERSHIP** is a broad-based national family to which everyone of us is entitled to belong. You join immediately by <u>your actions</u>, not mere words, in fighting COVID-19.

Here are the TEN PRINCIPLES for action as a GOOD NEIGHBOUR:

- 1. Be a good neighbour and citizen.
- 2. Practice best personal hygiene: washing hands, wearing protective masks.
- 3. Observe personal and physical distancing; avoid or reduce gatherings.
- 4. Stay in quarantine if advised or ordered to do so.
- 5. Adopt a home and help a family which is not your own.
- 6. Show especial love to the afflicted, the elderly, and children.
- 7. Care for your immediate community in every way.
- 8. Be nice to nurses, doctors, and other frontline employees, including the police
- 9. Be disciplined, focused, resourceful, and creative in all we do; do not panic.
- 10. Listen and follow the advice of the authorities.

All these principles are inter-connected. Let us in each of these ways: BE THE BEST WE CAN!

Dated the 5th day of April, 2020.

Dr. The Hon. Ralph E. Gonsalves Prime Minister