

March 22, 2020

Dear Roberto, Emon, Brian, Claire,

COMMUNITY

THERE IS COMFORT IN NUMBERS, BUT THERE IS ALSO EMPATHY AND LOVE IN NUMBERS

together.

I write this with a heavy, yet hopeful heart. Each of you are experiencing the ripple effect of this global crisis in your own ways. You are each going through this differently - yet, we are all in this TOGETHER.

I think about high school seniors with no proms, to our own seniors who won't get that Department Alumni dinner and award celebration.

THIS IS STILL YOUR COMMUNITY

There, I think of those who never had those opportunities to begin with. So many high school seniors never get to go to prom. Maybe due to being too poor or perhaps they are too "odd" or "not cool enough" to feel comfortable even going. So many kids don't even get to college due to their position in life - the hand they were dealt - maybe too poor or they have to care of their siblings or parents.

TOO POOR
TOO ODD
NOT COOL
ENOUGH

Life is complex and full of sadness. Yet, we must train our minds to see that silver lining. See, right now, in the midst of uncertainty - I try to find that lining. Suddenly, we are blessed with being told to literally be home, with our immediate family. No where else should we go. We are being called to remain diligent, resilient & responsible - for the Common Good.

IT CAN BE PEOPLE YOU NEVER EXPECTED - EVERYWHERE AND COMMUNITY IS THE ANSWER

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TIME TO BE GRATEFUL FOR ANY PRIVILEGES YOU KNOW YOU HAVE

AND, IF YOU DON'T HAVE - DO FOR ME: MAUI ESTIMOTE FACE THESE IN NEED, PLEASE YOUR EYES TO THE DEEP BEGATHS AND ANSWER ONLY POSITIVE. CHEREDY OUT.

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silver lining too. Life is about others, not just you.

WE ARE CLOSER TO EACH OTHER THAN EVER

Sincerely,
Mindy

I was always closer to you than I thought I was.