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EVERETT'S ENVISION HOTEL SERVES AS REGIONAL ISOLATION SITE

Mayor Carlo DeMaria, State Senator Sal DiDomenico, and State Representative Joseph McGonagle under the leadership of Governor Charlie Baker are pleased to announce that Everett's Envision Hotel will serve as an isolation facility for individuals who are recovering from COVID-19. Everett residents will receive preference to the facility while the facility will be open to the entire region.

"As the positive cases continue to rise, I'm grateful to have an isolation facility right in Everett. Our residents have been greatly affected by the pandemic and I'm grateful that the Governor and his Administration recognized the need to keep our residents safe and stop the spread. Together, we will get through this," said Mayor Carlo DeMaria.

The Baker Administration has opened a total of five state-operated isolation and recovery sites across the state to provide regional solutions for people experiencing homelessness that need a safe place to isolate and recover after testing positive for COVID-19. The medical component of the site is being run by Beth Israel/Lahey Health. When an individual is brought to Envision, they are transported by the Hampden County Sheriff's Department. There are multiple medical providers on staff and each individual is screened by a medical professional prior to entry.

"This isolation and recovery location is critically important for the city of Everett," said Senator Sal DiDomenico. "I have had several conversations with Governor Baker, MEMA and the Commonwealth's COVID-19 Command Center about the challenges that we are facing together and the many needs in our city, including an isolation site. I am grateful that the Governor and his team have, once again, responded by opening the Envision Hotel and providing all the necessary staffing, supplies and food for patients. This will allow our residents at home to stay healthy and for members of our community to have a place to recover from this virus."

Guests of the facility are having their vital signs checked twice a day and receive the necessary medical care based on their distinct needs. The facility is equipped with Narcan and an AED to ensure that the safety and welfare of the guests is paramount.

"I think it's really important that the City utilize all its' resources during this pandemic to protect and prevent the spread of the disease. I'm very grateful to the Envision Hotel for allowing its building to perform such a crucial service. Moments like this prove Everett is strong, united and continuing to fight this disease," said State Representative Joseph McGonagle.

The facility is equipped with a security guard on each floor and the Everett Police Department will be on premises at all times. Additionally, all meals will be provided to guests.

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