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NEWS RELEASE

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SUBJECT: COVID-19

LOCAL RISK FACTOR: Medium High

POSITIVE COVID-19 CASE: Today the Saint Paul Island Unified Command was informed that one essential worker tested positive for COVID-19. The test was performed at the health center due to the individual exhibiting symptoms. The individual will isolate until their symptoms resolve. There were “close contacts” that have been identified that flew to Saint Paul Island with the positive individual.

ACTIONS TO TAKE to ensure the safety of the community:

- The positive individual will isolate in their housing until their symptoms resolve.
- All passengers that traveled in with the positive individual will be notified.

“Close contact” means being within six feet of a known, or suspected, COVID-19 positive case for 15 minutes or greater or having had direct contact with the infectious secretions of a positive COVID-19 case. This determination is irrespective of whether or not either person was wearing a face covering. Public Health officials will make a determination in the event that either person was wearing respiratory Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). The 15-minute time period does not have to be continuous; it may be cumulative over a 24-hour period.

GET TESTED IF YOU ARE SICK: If are feeling ill or sick no matter how minor the symptoms get tested for COVID-19. Contact the Saint Paul Health Center during normal business hours to arrange to get tested. Additionally, if you are feeling sick stay home from school or work.

GET VACCINATED AND BOOSTED: To protect yourself and others against COVID-19 if eligible get vaccinated and boosted.