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Club Presidents

My fellow Presidents

We face unprecedented times.

The full consequences and implications of the sinister coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic is likely to have a profound impact on our economy and society for the foreseeable future.

Football Victoria (FV) and Football Federation Australia (FFA) have taken decisive action to temporarily suspend the 2020 season. This is to restrict the spread of the virus amongst our 350-plus clubs and communities throughout Victoria and protect the wellbeing of all players, fans, officials, staff, volunteers and their own communities. We will continue to keep you regularly informed via the FV website at: <https://www.footballvictoria.com.au/>

During this hiatus, we promise to work harder than ever for you to restore football for the joy it brings us every week with our families and friends and the benefits it offers our physical and mental health.

Even more importantly though, we welcome the opportunity to work with you to help and support our fellow human beings within your local community. Please talk to your Club Ambassador below on how we can support you on any football matters.

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We would reiterate that we expect clubs and players to respect the suspension. Should they choose not to, one consequence is that personal accident insurance cover will not apply.

On behalf of the FV Board, management and staff, I wish to sincerely thank all your volunteers, parents and sponsors for their energy, generosity and devotion to your club and we stand by ready to support you throughout your endeavours.

We're here for you.

Stay safe and healthy during this difficult time.



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President  
**Football Victoria**