



## **Mask Up and Help Prevent the Spread of COVID-19**

*Stockbridge-Munsee Community Thanks Members, Employees and Customers for Continued Efforts to Protect Themselves and Others*

Bowler, Wis. – July 14, 2020 – The Stockbridge-Munsee Community today reaffirmed its commitment to doing its part to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. Since the pandemic began, the Stockbridge-Munsee Community has taken this responsibility seriously, going above and beyond recommendations from the CDC and the Wisconsin Department of Health Services, including requiring the usage of face masks by all employees and those visiting all tribal businesses and government services. That includes the North Star Mohican Casino and Resort, Pine Hills Golf Course, Little Star Convenience Store, the Stockbridge-Munsee Health and Wellness Center, as well as all government buildings.

“We are pleased to see that more cities, counties and businesses across the state are considering implementing their own mandatory mask policies,” said Shannon Holsey, tribal council president, Stockbridge-Munsee Community. “Our policy has been in place since the beginning of the pandemic, and while it has taken some getting used to, we are grateful for the ongoing compliance of our members, employees and customers. By working together, we are doing our part to make sure where we live, work and play stays as healthy and safe as possible.”

Currently, Dane, Marathon and Outagamie counties have mask mandates in place, with Door and Portage counties also considering mandates. Milwaukee just passed a mask mandate, with Green Bay, Wausau, Superior and Racine also considering mandates. While Wisconsin has not issued a state-wide directive, Governor Evers has ordered all state workers to wear masks. Tribal governments through Wisconsin have also issued mandatory mask policies, especially at casinos and other indoor facilities.

“As a sovereign nation, the Stockbridge-Munsee made the deliberate choice to respond to this unprecedented challenge with conviction and strength,” said Holsey. “As a result, we were able to confidently reopen our businesses, safely continue providing essential services to our members and welcome back guests from all over Wisconsin to our popular, state-of-the art North Star Mohican Casino and Resort. Even if you don’t think social distancing or mask wearing is necessary for you, it is for others. Let’s keep working together so we all can stay safe and healthy!”

For a full list of the comprehensive efforts underway at the North Star Casino & Resort, please visit [northstarcasinoresort.com](http://northstarcasinoresort.com). To learn more about broader community efforts, please visit <https://www.mohican.com/?url=covid-19-information>.

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