

March 28, 2020

Office of the Governor Jared Polis State Capitol Building 200 E. Colfax Ave., Rm. 136 Denver, CO 80203

Re: Thank You

Dear Governor Polis:

On behalf of the four members of the Colorado Golf Coalition we would like to extend our heartfelt appreciation for your administration's support of allowing golf courses in the State of Colorado to continue to maintain our turfgrass during the Covid-19 Crisis.

While things continue to evolve and change by the hour, we felt it was important to pause for a moment to simply say thank you for helping protect the State's 242 golf courses which encompass 36,500 total acres, 19,800 of which are irrigated turfgrass. Now is not the time to lobby for the many virtues of the golf industry in detail. Suffice it to say that we believe that golf contributes to the beauty, environmental stewardship, mental and physical well-being and economic health of the State and its citizens. Thank you for your support in allowing us to protect this vital resource.

We have created a landing page for the Colorado Golf Coalition that can be found at <u>https://www.coloradogolf.org/colorado-golf-coalition/</u>. We offer this to you and your team as a resource to help share information as we work through this crisis together as citizens of the great state of Colorado.

Thank you,

- Eddie Ainsworth, Executive Director/CEO, Colorado Section PGA
- Sary Leeper, Executive Director, Rocky Mountain Golf Course Superintendent's Association
- Ed Mate, Executive Director/CEO, Colorado Golf Association
- > Jason Murphy, Chapter Liaison, Mile High Chapter, Club Managers Association of America