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**MEMORANDUM**

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**FROM:** Michael Needel  
Director, Business Services, Workforce Development

**DATE:** May 15, 2020

**SUBJECT:** Employee Dislocation Notification  
The Guesthouse at Graceland  
WARN # 202000177

The Guesthouse at Graceland has filed an official WARN Notice with the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development, notifying the agency of a layoff which is effective May 15, 2020. In mid-March, the hotel put most of its employees on temporary furlough status. At that time, the company believed the layoffs would last 60 to 90 days. This no longer seems to be the case. The continuing impact of COVID-19 on the business and the uncertainty over when business levels will begin to rebound are causing the company to convert many of the furloughs to permanent layoffs. As business needs dictate, the hotel will seek to rehire laid-off employees. The total number of affected workers is 101. This company is located at 3600 Elvis Presley Blvd., Memphis, TN 38116. The

company notified the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development's Dislocated Worker Unit on May 15, 2020.

The employees at the facility are not represented by a collective bargaining agreement. The Greater Memphis Local Workforce Development Area rapid response team, employed by the Workforce Investment Network has been notified to coordinate services with the employer and affected employees. The Greater Memphis Local Workforce Development Board will be responsible for the oversight of the continued follow up of Rapid Response and Dislocated Worker services associated with this event. If you need additional information or have questions, please contact the Dislocated Worker Unit at (615) 253-6355.

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