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To: All Advanced Institute Attendees

Thank you for registering to attend Advanced Institute, and for your patience as we continue to work through pandemic-related challenges to ensure that MMTA provides safe, high quality training and networking opportunities.

The Board of Directors has watchfully waited, hoping that the pandemic would ease enough for us to have our traditional Advanced Institute this December. However, with the continued mandate limiting indoor conferences to ten people and the growing financial challenges of many municipalities, the Board has decided to take a bold, yet necessary, step to continue providing education opportunities to our members.

In order to do this, we are transitioning Advanced Institute from an in-person event to a series of on-line learning opportunities over the Fall and Winter. These one- to three-hour sessions will be easy to fit into your schedule and will allow you to earn at least ten points of continuing education on relevant treasury topics and current events to maintain your MicPT. This change will also save your municipality on the typical travel and lodging expenses for this year.

The details of our Fall/Winter Online Training program are being finalized and will be shared in the next few weeks. Please note this will include transitioning January's Winter Workshop event to online training as well.

Be assured that the Board views this as a temporary measure – we're all looking forward to being in the same room to learn, share, and catch up with one another. At this time, it is also our intent to hold the 2021 Advanced Institute on May 17-19 at the Comfort Inn in Mt. Pleasant.

We would be remiss if we didn't recognize our host hotels: The Comfort Inn, the H Hotel in Midland, and the Crowne Plaza in Lansing have been incredibly supportive of MMTA through these challenges. We appreciate their help to ensure the health and safety of our members and the financial stability of the Association.

Your Advanced Institute registration will automatically transition to the online training sessions. Once the training schedule is released, if you

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cannot attend a particular date, we are going to make every attempt to record the sessions for you to watch at your leisure. If you decide you would prefer not to transition to the online schedule, you may cancel for a full refund. If you had reservations at the H Hotel or the Fairfield Inn in Midland, the hotels will automatically cancel those reservations and will send you confirmation of the cancellation.

Please give our leadership team a few weeks to work out all the final details, including topics, speakers, and schedule before reaching out with questions. We will send you more information as it becomes available. If there are sessions that you would like other members of your team to attend, the full online training program will be available to all MMTA members.

We remain dedicated to providing you with the best education and training options possible. If you have any questions contact us at info@MMTA-MI.org or 989.820.8389.

Thank you for your continued membership and support!

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