## NATIONAL SPIRITUAL ASSEMBLY OF THE BAHÁ'ÍS OF THE UNITED STATES

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To all Local Spiritual Assemblies and registered Bahá'í groups

Dearest Bahá'í Friends,

The National Spiritual Assembly is pleased to share with you five letters written on behalf of the Universal House of Justice on a subject on the hearts and minds of many at this time—vaccinations. Believers have been turning to the institutions of the Faith for advice on this matter, in light of, as described in one of these messages, "the difficulty of attaining the truth, which seems to be an inherent characteristic of the process of disintegration that is assailing humanity in its transition to a new order." We trust that the guidance shared in these communications, sent between July 2020 and February 2021 and from which all personal identifiers have been removed, will assist you in responding to the concerns of the friends.

This recent guidance brings into focus some principles on which we are encouraged to reflect, including the independent investigation of reality, guided by consultation and scientific consensus; of reliance on competent physicians; of the need for obedience to civil law; and of our social obligation to consider what is best for society when determining our own private actions.

Be assured of our prayers for your communities that the Spirit of God may draw the friends ever closer in bonds of friendship and cordiality during these tumultuous days.

With loving Bahá'í greetings,

Kenneth E. Bowers

Secretary

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cc: Continental Board of Counselors for the Americas All Regional Bahá'í Councils All Regional Training Institutes