BookExpo Statement

(Norwalk, CT – March 10, 2020) - We at BookExpo and Reed Exhibitions know that the COVID-19 virus is at the forefront of our customers’ minds. First and foremost, we want to express our concern for everyone impacted. The publishing industry is a global community, and the well-being of that community is of the utmost importance to us.

The effect of the COVID-19 virus on the publishing business and our people is significant and difficult to navigate. Many industry events outside of the United States, have had to make difficult decisions about proceeding with their events. We understand the impact that has on the publishing industry and we want to be proactive and transparent about BookExpo.

BookExpo & BookCon will proceed as planned May 27-31st, 2020. We do not anticipate any changes or delays to our event. Our mission is to serve our customers as best we can, and we plan to provide a place for you to conduct business in these difficult times. The publishing industry is based on personal connections—and many rely on the important business relationships made during BookExpo. We will continue to be take necessary precautions to facilitate an environment for the entire community to unite, make meaningful new connections, and discover new titles.

To prepare for BookExpo & BookCon, Reed Exhibitions and our partners are monitoring the COVID-19 virus situation daily. We are collaborating closely with the Javits Center and following guidelines and precautions suggested by the US Centers for Disease Control (CDC), and other federal, state and local government agencies, including the New York City Department of Health which provides live, daily updates.

We will continue to monitor the status and guidelines closely. Should anything change we will, of course, promptly keep our customers informed of the action to be taken.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you in New York.

Sincerely,

Jenny Martin
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