BREAKING (NOT THE) NEWS: How 2020 has just become a satire.

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2020 is the year of a new decade, and it was hyped up by many. Based on the occurences of the last few months one could certainly say 2020 has lived up to those expectations. Here's a list revealing how:

- 1. The economic prosperity of the Roaring Twenties seems upon us once again. The price of gas is now at a record low average: \$1.88; wow, how good for the economy! Even better, many car dealer companies, like Honda, are paying the first couple of months for people who buy or lease a car. Americans can now go wherever and whenever they please this spring time, no excuse for staying at home!
- 2. <u>COVID-19's arrival to the U.S.</u> State's are now competing to see who can have the most cases from the virus, what fun! And just in a few weeks America happens to be at the forefront in terms of the global competition. President Trump said at a white house briefing "We are getting better, and getting better fast!" Trump plans on increasing the number of cases of the virus on Easter Sunday. Where he would like to have families upon families packed in churches. Certainly we will come out winners!
- 3. <u>Cuomosexual is a novel word.</u> Coined by New Yorkers, cuomosexuality has been raging all over America. It is defined as someone who has a deep affinity or attraction, bordering on obsession, for a person carrying the surname Cuomo. With New York State having more COVID-19 cases than any country in the world, many turned to admire Gov. Andrew Cuomo and his brother Chris Cuomo on their success so excessively that a word was created to represent this liking.
- 4. Students around the country are taking on distance learning. Online schooling is commended much like homeschooling! Access to technology allows students to conquer math problems and work on essays all without leaving their homes. Students are becoming extremely resourceful by video chatting with their friends while taking tests to make sure they are getting all the right answers, while probably only reading two questions. How hardworking! The traditional

- classroom truly has nothing on distance learning so much that it doesn't look like students will ever return to traditional schooling this year.
- 5. Music around the world is transforming in the best ways possible. In the wake of the COVID-19 Competition this year, musicians all over the world are taking big risks with their music production. For example, the brilliant video and song Corona Virus by the world wide known musician, Yofrangel, has reached up to 8.7 million views on Youtube. In addition a song by iMarkkeyz was made using Cardi B's voice and intake on world events, it's called Coronavirus; it is pure genius. There are new songs being made everyday that are the pinnacle of exceptional and innovation.
- 6. <u>2020 Satire.</u> In all seriousness, we need satire. It seems that the <u>2020 vision</u> everyone anticipated became more like the <u>2020 Dateline show</u> where only crime and messed up things happen. As said by the very, very prominent writer Alain de Botton, humorists are vital to society and "convey with impunity messages that might be dangerous or impossible to state directly." This is specifically true with the COVID-19 Competition being a remarkably stressful race. Having shows, political cartoons, and "not the news" like John Oliver's <u>Last Week Tonight</u> and Andy Borowitz's <u>The Borowitz's Report</u> helps give a soft blow on things Americans don't always want to hear and gives a sort of humorous calm during this crazed time.