

The corona virus or COVID-19 has been an issue for the world in the past months. It is said that the virus originated in wuhan china from someone eating a bat but this is mostly speculation and is not yet proven as of right now. When the virus started in china it spread fast and became a massive issue for many especially for the elderly and others with weak immune system. Before we knew the virus was a worldwide pandemic. It caused many businesses and schools to shut down and the majority of the population had to be in a quarantine state. The chances of getting infected was high and we had to take extreme caution. Most of the population would start to wear masks and other protective clothing. This method was effective and it slowed down the spread in some countries that enforced the mask policy. This reduced the chances of getting the virus but it didn't fully protect those who would wear the mask. It was only a way to reduce the chances and not to get rid of those chances. Most countries listened to what professionals had to say and it caused the rates of people getting the virus to go down except for most of the United States. The United States started off with the correct foot forward, meaning that the U.S prepared for quarantine by stocking up on supplies even if it was by any means possible. Many went to their local grocery stores to gather as much rations for families and people in need. After that phase it seemed the whole world was quarantined but it lasted only for a few weeks. People would start to grow tired being alone in their house and start to go out again with friends to parks and the biggest of them all to beaches. This is where the U.S failed to enforce COVID rules and that became a problem for the U.S. COVID-19 casualties started to rise again and the chances of anyone getting the virus sky rocketed up and before we knew it the virus had become worse than when it started. People did not listen and went out to do "fun" things and that only made things worse. In some cases this was reasonable that people went out because the fact is many had no jobs and money became an issue to most. Small individual businesses still had to pay for rent even though their store was closed and this caused businesses the shut down permanently due to financial problems. People knew the virus caused all of this but people wanted someone to blame so they started to point fingers to the government and the CDC. Rumors started to spread that this was all a hoax and that the virus isn't real and it made people stop wearing masks and to just ignore the pandemic. The virus seemed to not exist anymore to most but this only worsened things in the U.S. Things only became worse and kept getting worse to the point where it feels like we're just in a nightmare. As time went on we had other problems that arose that only made things worse. One of these problems was the death of George Floyd. Most are aware with this event, it was when a cop Derek Chauvin killed a black man that being Floyd by putting a knee on the man's neck and "accidentally" killing him. This created an out cry for the black community and created many riots. This created huge gatherings and people either peacefully or not peacefully rioted around the U.S because of Floyd's death and because of police brutality. BLM was emphasized with these huge riots and all of this was with purpose. All of this was

necessary to spread awareness but it also caused more people to contract the virus. This in the long run was bad because the more cases of COVID the more people are sent to hospitals. This caused hospitals to be full and not many were getting treated for either the virus or other problems. It was one problem after another. There were nurses and doctors doing their best to treat the many patients but the ratio between doctors and patients were too overwhelming. This in general was bad because those who are not getting treated enough have a greater chance of dying or becoming in a much more critical state than what they are already in. There's not much a doctor can do if they can't get to those who are in need. This is why it is greatly emphasized that we should stay home and stay there not because we want but because we need to protect those who have weaker immune systems. We should take notes from other regions like the UK. They listen to their professionals and now the virus is at a low state in the UK according to CNN. Staying home and wearing a mask would benefit us and would make us return to a normal life without online classes or any type of virtual meeting.