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5. Take the stairs

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Check out our deskercise videos at: wespath.org/center-for-health/deskercise-videos/

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