Ordering of measures to protect the health of the population amid the COVID-19 pandemic situation

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THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES,

CONSIDERING section 118 of the Public Health Act (chapter S-2.2), which provides that the Government may declare a public health emergency in all or part of the territory of Québec where a serious threat to the health of the population, whether real or imminent, requires the immediate application of certain measures provided for in section 123 of the Act to protect the health of the population;

CONSIDERING Order in Council 177-2020 dated 13 March 2020 declaring a public health emergency throughout Québec for a period of 10 days;

CONSIDERING that the public health emergency was renewed until 29 March 2020 by Order in Council 222-2020 dated 20 March 2020, until 7 April 2020 by Order in Council 388-2020 dated 29 March 2020, until 16 April 2020 by Order in Council 418-2020 dated 7 April 2020, until 24 April 2020

CONSIDERING that that Order in Council also empowers the Minister of Health and Social Services to take any measure provided for in subparagraphs 1 to 8 of the first paragraph of section 123 of the Public Health Act;

CONSIDERING that Order in Council 1020-2020 dated 30 September 2020, amended by Ministerial Order 2020-074 dated 2 October 2020, provides in particular, despite any provision to the contrary in an Order in Council or a Ministerial Order made under section 123 of the Public Health Act, certain additional measures applicable in certain territories;
CONSIDERING that that Order in Council also provides that the Minister of Health and Social Services is empowered to order any modification or clarification of the measures provided for in that Order in Council;

CONSIDERING that it is expedient to order certain measures to protect the health of the population;

ORDERS AS Follows:

THAT no person may require that a person install or use Health Canada’s COVID Alert application or disclose the information it contains;

THAT no person may advantage or disadvantage a person who has not installed the application, does not use it or refuses to disclose the information it contains;

THAT the measures provided for in the tenth paragraph of the operative part of Order in Council 1020-2020 dated 30 September 2020 and subsequent amendments also apply to the territories of Ville de Carleton-sur-Mer and the municipalities of Maria and Nouvelle, in the Gaspésie–Îles-de-la-Madeleine health region;

THAT the third paragraph of the operative part of this Ministerial Order take effect on 6 October 2020.

Québec, 5 October 2020

CHRISTIAN DUBÉ
Minister of Health and Social Services