Ministerial Order 2020-051 of the Minister of Health and Social Services dated 10 July 2020

Public Health Act (chapter S-2.2)

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 that Order in Council orders in particular the suspension of activities of childcare centres, day care centres and home childcare services;

CONSIDERING Order in Council 689-2020 dated 25 June 2020 ordering in particular certain measures related to seating arrangements in bars and the assemblies that take place there;

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 by Order in Council 460-2020 dated 15 April 2020, until 29 April 2020 by Order in Council 478-2020 dated 22 April 2020, until 6 May 2020 by Order in Council 483-2020 dated 29 April 2020, until 13 May 2020 by Order in Council 501-2020 dated 6 May 2020, until 20 May 2020 by Order in Council 509-2020 dated 13 May 2020, until 27 May 2020 by Order in Council 531-2020 dated 20 May 2020, until 3 June 2020 by Order in Council 544-2020 dated 27 May 2020, until 10 June 2020 by Order in Council 572-2020 dated 3 June 2020, until 17 June 2020 by Order in Council 593-2020 dated 10 June 2020, until 23 June 2020 by Order in Council 630-2020 dated 17 June 2020, until 30 June 2020 by Order in Council 667-2020 dated 23 June 2020, until 8 July 2020 by Order in Council 690-2020 dated 30 June 2020, and until 15 July 2020 by Order in Council 717-2020 dated 8 July 2020;

CONSIDERING that, by Orders in Council 505-2020 dated 1 May 2020 and 566-2020 dated 27 May 2020, the suspension applicable to the activities of childcare centres, day care centres and home childcare services under Order in Council 177-2020 dated 13 March 2020 was lifted throughout Québec, provided that the activities are carried on in compliance with the conditions set out in the Schedule to Order in Council 505-2020 dated 6 May 2020, amended by Order in Council 566-2020 dated 27 May 2020 and by Ministerial Orders 2020-034 dated 9 May 2020, 2020-039 dated 22 May 2020, 2020-042 dated 4 June 2020, 2020-044 dated 12 June 2020, 2020-047 dated 19 June 2020 and 2020-048 dated 26 June 2020;

CONSIDERING that Order in Council 505-2020 dated 6 May 2020 empowers the Minister of Health and Social Services to order any modification or clarification of the measures provided for;

CONSIDERING that Order in Council 717-2020 dated 8 July 2020 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 the current situation of the COVID-19 pandemic allows for the easing of certain measures set in place to protect the health of the population, while maintaining some of the measures necessary to continue that protection;

ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

THAT a bar permit may only be used from 8 a.m. to midnight, in the rooms or terraces indicated on the permit, unless the holder of that permit only sells alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises at a meal;

THAT the holder of such a permit may admit simultaneously, in each room and on each terrace of the establishment where the permit is used, a maximum of 50% of the number of persons that may be admitted under that permit and may not tolerate a number of people greater than that maximum;

THAT the authorization of dancing provided for on such a permit be suspended;

THAT a distance of 2 metres be maintained with the public during the presentation of a show in an establishment where such a permit is used;

THAT the measures provided for in the preceding paragraphs apply, with the necessary modifications, to holders of a small-scale production permit, a

small-scale beer producer's permit or a brewer's permit, when they allow the consumption of alcoholic beverages on the premises in accordance with their permit to produce alcoholic beverages;

THAT the fifteenth paragraph of the operative part of Order in Council 689-2020 dated 25 June 2020 be amended by inserting "or consume beverages" after "may be served" in paragraph 1;

THAT the Schedule to Order in Council 505-2020 dated 6 May 2020, amended by Order in Council 566-2020 dated 27 May 2020 and by Ministerial Orders 2020-034 dated 9 May 2020, 2020-039 dated 22 May 2020, 2020-042 dated 4 June 2020, 2020-044 dated 12 June 2020, 2020-047 dated 19 June 2020 and 2020-048 dated 26 June 2020, be further amended

- (1) by striking out sections 1, 2 and 3;
- (2) by striking out the first paragraph of section 5;
- (3) by replacing "Elsewhere in Québec, a" by "A" in the second paragraph of section 5;
 - (4) by striking out section 6;

THAT the seventh paragraph of the operative part have effect on 13 July 2020.

Québec, 10 July 2020

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