Ministerial Order 2021-019 of the Minister of Health and Social Services dated 28 March 2021

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 Order in Council 433-2021 dated 24 March 2021 provides for, among other things, despite any provision to the contrary of an Order in Council or a Ministerial Order made under section 123 of the Public Health Act, certain special measures applicable in certain territories;

CONSIDERING that that Order in Council also empowers the Minister of Health and Social Services to order any modification or clarification to the measures provided for in the Order;

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 the operative part of Order in Council 433-2021 dated 24 March 2021 be amended by replacing subparagraphs 27 and 28 of the sixth paragraph by the following:

"(27) the educational institutions covered by a recommendation or an order from a public health authority requiring them to reduce by 50% the attendance at the institution by Secondary 3, 4 and 5 students, except handicapped students or students with social maladjustments or learning disabilities attending specialized schools, classes or groups, must provide those students with educational services enabling learning to be continued at a distance not later than two days after the recommendation or order and, for that purpose, distance instructional services must be favoured;";

THAT this Order take effect on 29 March 2021.

Québec, 28 2021

CHRISTIAN DUBÉ
Minister of Health and Social Services