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 by Order in

CONSIDERING that Order in Council 937-2021 dated 7 July 2021 empowers the Minister of Health and Social Services to take any of the measures 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 certain of the measures necessary to continue that protection;

ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

THAT, despite any provision to the contrary in an Order in Council or a Ministerial Order made under section 123 of the Public Health Act, an outdoor gathering may be organized by a school service centre, a school board or a private educational institution for the purpose of the holding of a graduation ball at which a maximum of 250 secondary-level students in general education for youth may be in attendance, in addition to the persons required for the holding of the event;
THAT this Order take effect on 8 July 2021.

Québec, 7 July 2021

CHRISTIAN DUBÉ
Minister of Health and Social Services