Ministerial Order 2021-078 of the Minister of Health and Social Services dated 2 November 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 the public health emergency has consistently been renewed since that date by various Orders in Council, including by Order in Council 1349-2021 dated 27 October 2021;

CONSIDERING that Order in Council 885-2021 dated 23 June 2021, amended by Ministerial Orders 2021-049 dated 1 July 2021, 2021-050 dated 2 July 2021, 2021-053 dated 10 July 2021, 2021-055 dated 30 July 2021, 2021-057 dated 4 August 2021, 2021-058 dated 13 August 2021, 2021-059 dated 18 August 2021, 2021-060 dated 24 August 2021, 2021-061 dated 31 August 2021, 2021-062 dated 3 September 2021, 2021-063 dated 9 September 2021, 2021-065 dated 24 September 2021, 2021-066 dated 1 October 2021, 2021-067 dated 8 October 2021, 2021-068 dated 9 October 2021, 2021-069 dated 12 October 2021, 2021-073 dated 22 October 2021, 2021-074 dated 25 October 2021 and 2021-077 dated 29 October 2021, provides for, among other things, certain special measures to apply throughout Québec;

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

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

ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

THAT the operative part of Order in Council 885-2021 dated 23 June 2021, amended by Ministerial Orders 2021-049 dated 1 July 2021, 2021-050 dated 2 July 2021, 2021-053 dated 10 July 2021, 2021-055 dated 30 July 2021, 2021-057 dated 4 August 2021, 2021-058 dated 13 August 2021, 2021-059 dated 18 August 2021, 2021-060 dated 24 August 2021, 2021-061 dated 31 August 2021, 2021-062 dated 3 September 2021, 2021-063 dated 9 September 2021, 2021-065 dated 24 September 2021, 2021-066 dated 1 October 2021, 2021-067 dated 8 October 2021, 2021-068 dated 9 October 2021, 2021-069 dated 12 October 2021, 2021-073 dated 22 October 2021, 2021-074 dated 25 October 2021 and 2021-077 dated 29 October 2021 be further amended

- (1) by replacing subparagraph 30 of the fourteenth paragraph by the following:
- "(30) the seventh, eighth and twelfth paragraphs apply to the common areas, including an elevator, in a private seniors' residence situated in the territory of any of the health regions listed in Schedule II, other than the Côte-

Nord Health Region, except that the face covering worn must be a procedural mask;";

(2) by replacing Schedule II by the following:

"Schedule II – Health regions where the wearing of a procedural mask is mandatory

- Bas-Saint-Laurent Health Region, but only for the territory of the regional county municipality of La Matapédia;
 - Mauricie et du Centre-du-Québec Health Region;
 - Estrie Health Region;
 - Montréal Health Region;
 - Outaouais Health Region;
- Côte-Nord Health Region, but only for the territory of Ville de Baie-Comeau;
- Chaudières-Appalaches Health Region, but only for the territories of the regional county municipalities of Les Appalaches, Beauce-Sartigan, Bellechasse, Les Etchemins, Nouvelle-Beauce and Robert-Cliche;
 - Laval Health Region;
 - Lanaudière Health Region;
 - Laurentides Health Region;
 - Montérégie Health Region.";

THAT the measures set out in this Order take effect on 3 November 2021.

Québec, 2 November 2021

CHRISTIAN DUBÉ
Minister of Health and Social Services