Ministerial Order 2021-092 of the Minister of Health and Social Services dated 22 December 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 1624-2021 dated 22 December 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, 2021-077 dated 29 October 2021, 2021-078 dated 2 November 2021, 2021-079 dated 14 November 2021, 2021-083 dated 10 December 2021, 2021-086 dated 13 December 2021, 2021-087 dated 14 December 2021, provides for, among other things, certain special measures to apply throughout Québec;

CONSIDERING that Order in Council 1173-2021 dated 1 September 2021, amended by Order in Council 1276-2021 dated 24 September 2021, and by Ministerial Orders 2021-067 dated 8 October 2021, 2021-079 and 2021-081 dated 14 November 2021, 2021-082 dated 17 November 2021 and 2021-089 dated 19 December 2021, provides that a person must be adequately protected to enter certain places or participate in certain activities;

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

CONSIDERING that Order in Council 1624-2021 dated 22 December 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 it is advisable to order certain measures to protect the health of the population;

ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

THAT the eleventh paragraph of 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, 2021-077 dated 29 October 2021, 2021-078 dated 2 November 2021, 2021-079 dated 14 November 2021, 2021-083 dated 10 December 2021, 2021-086 dated 13 December 2021, 2021-087 dated 24 December 2021, be further amended

- (1) in subparagraph 1,
- (a) by replacing "10 persons" by "six persons";
- (b) by replacing "three private residences" by "two private residences":
 - (2) in subparagraph ii of subparagraph a of subparagraph 7,
 - (a) by replacing "10 persons" by "six persons";
- (b) by replacing "three private residences" by "two private residences";
 - (3) in subparagraph *g* of subparagraph 22,
 - (a) by replacing "10 persons" by "six persons";
- (b) by replacing "three private residences" by "two private residences";

THAT the operative part of Order in Council 1173-2021 dated 1 September 2021, amended by Order in Council 1276-2021 dated 24 September 2021, and by Ministerial Orders 2021-067 dated 8 October 2021, 2021-079 and 2021-081 dated 14 November 2021, 2021-082 dated 17 November 2021 and 2021-089 dated 19 December 2021, be further amended by striking out the ninth paragraph;

THAT, on 26 December 2021, a commercial establishment to which the Act respecting hours and days of admission to commercial establishments (chapter H-2.1) applies be able, in addition to the legal periods of admission determined in that Act, admit the public from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.;

THAT the measures set out in the first paragraph of the operative part of this Order take effect on 26 December 2021.

Québec, 22 December 2021

CHRISTIAN DUBÉ
Minister of Health and Social Services