



## **PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY EXTENSION DECLARATION**

**CONCERNING** the extension of a declaration of a public health emergency pursuant to section 27 of the **Public Health Protection and Promotion Act**, SNL 2018, c P-37.3

**WHEREAS** the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a pandemic on March 11, 2020; and

**WHEREAS** pursuant to section 27 of the **Public Health Protection and Promotion Act**, SNL 2018, c P-37.3 (the "**Act**"), the Minister of Health and Community Services, on the advice of the Chief Medical Officer of Health, declared a public health emergency on March 18, 2020 (the "**Public Health Emergency**") for a period of 14 days; and

**WHEREAS** pursuant to subsection 27(3) of the Act, the Minister of Health and Community Services, on the advice of the Chief Medical Officer of Health, may extend the public health emergency for consecutive periods of 14 days where the public health emergency continues to exist and the extension is required to protect the health of the population; and

**WHEREAS** the COVID-19 pandemic continues to present a serious risk to the health of the population and an extension of the public health emergency is required to protect the health of the population; and

**WHEREAS** pursuant to subsection 27(4) of the Act, an extension of a public health emergency shall identify the nature of the public health emergency, describe the area of the province to which it relates, and specify the dates when the declaration takes effect and when it expires; and

**WHEREAS** pursuant to section 28 of the Act, the Chief Medical Officer of Health is authorized to exercise any of the special measures outlined therein while a declaration of a public health emergency is in effect; and

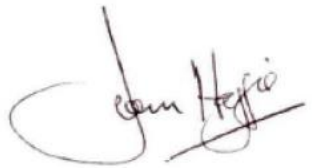
**WHEREAS** pursuant to subsection 27(6) of the Act, the Chief Medical Officer of Health shall publish the details of this declaration without delay and in a manner that can reasonably be expected to notify residents of the province to whom the declaration relates.

**NOW THEREFORE, I, Dr. John Haggie, Minister of Health and Community Services**, on the advice of Dr. Janice Fitzgerald, Chief Medical Officer of Health, hereby extend the Public Health Emergency and make the following declaration:

**PURSUANT** to section 27 of the Act, the **PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY**:

- (a) is extended as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic;
- (b) is in effect for the entire province of Newfoundland and Labrador; and
- (c) is extended for a period of 14 days effective February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022.

**DATED** on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of February 2022, at the City of St. John's, in the province of Newfoundland and Labrador.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'John Haggie', is positioned above a horizontal line.

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**JOHN HAGGIE, MD, FRCS**  
Minister of Health and Community Services