### **COASTAL STEWARDSHIP AGREEMENT**

# **BETWEEN:**

HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN IN RIGHT OF NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR,

as represented by the Honorable the Minister of Environment and Conservation

(hereinafter called the "Minister")

-of the one part-

### AND:

## THE TOWN COUNCIL OF CARTWRIGHT

a corporation pursuant to Section 15 of the Municipalities Act, 1999

(hereinafter called the "Town")

-of the other part-

**WHEREAS** the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador has entered into an Agreement with various partners for the implementation of the North American Waterfowl Management Plan through the Eastern Habitat Joint Venture;

**AND WHEREAS** the parties hereto recognize that stewardship of coastal ecosystems is fundamental towards maintaining and enhancing the sea duck and seabird populations in the province;

AND WHEREAS the Minister proposes that certain coastal ecosystems be protected and enhanced through stewardship and education activities with the cooperation of the Partners and resource users in accordance with this Agreement and the Conservation Plan developed hereafter;

<u>AND WHEREAS</u> the Partners have agreed to enter into the Agreement for the purpose of protecting and enhancing those coastal ecosystems.

# **NOW THEREFORE IT IS AGREED BY THE PARTIES HERETO AS FOLLOWS:**

- 1. The conservation of the coastal ecosystem herein delineated and designated as a Stewardship Zone (being those areas outlined on a certain Schedule annexed hereto and marked "A") shall be supported by a stewardship program delivered in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement and of the Conservation Plan developed hereunder for better protection of this coastal ecosystem for sea ducks, sea birds and other associated wildlife.
- 2. The parties hereto agree to cooperate in the promotion of best stewardship practices that will be identified in the Conservation Plan to positively influence activity within the Stewardship Zone.
- 3. The Conservation Plan shall be developed in cooperation with the Minister and the Minister agrees to provide such advice and expertise necessary or advisable for the development of the Plan.
- 4. The parties to this Agreement, their consultants, servants, or agents, shall have and exercise reasonable rights of access to the Stewardship Zone for all purposes necessary or incidental to this Agreement and in particular, but without limiting the generality of the foregoing, for the purpose of developing and carrying out the Conservation Plan,
- 5. Each of the parties agree that they will exercise their best efforts to further develop conservation measures for more effectively carrying out of their mutual intentions as expressed in this Agreement.
- 6. The parties recognize that this Agreement is not legally binding, but is a goodwill commitment between partners.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** the parties have caused these presents to be executed in accordance with their respective rules and regulations the day and year first before written.

# SIGNED SEALED AND DELIVERED

by the Honourable the Minister of

Environment and Conservation in the presence of:

Heather Chaffey Witness

THE HONOURABLE THE MINISTER

OF ENVIRONMENT AND

CONSERVATION

THE SEAL OF the Town Council of the Town of Cartwright hereunto affixed in the presence of:

Witness

THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN

**OF CARTWRIGHT** 

SCHEDULE A

