STEWARDSHIP AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT made at Port au Choix, in the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador this 22nd day of September, 2009.

BETWEEN:

HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN IN RIGHT OF NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR, as represented by the Honourable the Minister

of Environment and Conservation

(hereinafter called the "Minister")

-of the one part-

AND:

ST. THERESA'S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

a school located in the Town of Port au Choix, in the Province of

Newfoundland and Labrador

(hereinafter called the "Partner")

-of the other part-

WHEREAS the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador has entered into a partnership with others for the implementation of the Limestone Barrens Habitat Stewardship Program funded through the Government of Canada's Habitat Stewardship Program for Species at Risk;

AND WHEREAS the parties hereto recognize that stewardship of the Limestone Barrens habitat is fundamental towards maintaining biodiversity and ensuring the conservation of this habitat;

AND WHEREAS the Minister proposes that the Great Northern Peninsula Limestone Barrens Habitat be protected through stewardship and education activities with the cooperation of the Partner in accordance with this Agreement and the Limestone Barrens Habitat Conservation Plan;

<u>AND WHEREAS</u> the Partner has agreed to enter into this Agreement for the purpose of increasing awareness of the limestone barrens habitat;

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

- 1. The conservation of the limestone barrens identified through the Municipal Stewardship Agreement with the Town of Port au Choix (being those areas outlined on a certain Schedule annexed hereto and marked "A") shall be supported by the Limestone Barrens Habitat Stewardship Program delivered in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement and of the Limestone Barrens Habitat Conservation Plan for the better protection of the limestone barrens and associated plant species.
- The parties 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.
- The Partner agrees to incorporate the stewardship of the Limestone Barrens into the school curriculum through the "Arts Smarts" program and/or other programs as appropriate.
- 4. The Minister agrees to provide such advice and expertise necessary or advisable for the development of education curriculum related to the stewardship of the Limestone Barrens.
- 5. The parties recognize that this Agreement is not legally binding, but it is a goodwill commitment between the parties.

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

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED

by the Honourable the Minister of
Environment and Conservation
in the presence of:

Witness

THE HONOURABLE CHARLENE
JOHNSON, MINISTER OF
ENVIRONMENT AND
CONSERVATION

THE SEAL OF

the authorized signing officer of the

St. Theresa's Elementary School in the presence of:

Witness

ST. THERESA'S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

SIGNED AND DELIVERED

by the Program Manager for the
Limestone Barrens Habitat Stewardship
Program in the presence of:

Witness

PROGRAM MANAGER, LIMESTONE

BARRENS HABITAT STEWARDSHIP

PROGRAM

SCHEDULE A

