

**M.O., 2008****Order of the Minister of Sustainable Development,  
Environment and Parks dated 3 October 2008**

Natural Heritage Conservation Act  
(R.S.Q., c. C-61.01)

CONCERNING the granting of proposed biodiversity  
reserve status to two territories

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 27 of  
the Natural Heritage Conservation Act (R.S.Q., c. C-61.01),  
for the purpose of protecting land to be established as  
a new protected area, the Minister of Sustainable  
Development, Environment and Parks must, with the  
approval of the Government, prepare the plan of that area,  
establish a conservation plan and assign temporary pro-  
tection status to the area as a proposed aquatic reserve,  
biodiversity reserve, ecological reserve or man-made  
landscape;

WHEREAS, under section 28 of the Act, the setting  
aside of land under the first paragraph of section 27 is  
valid for a period of not more than four years, subject to  
subsequent renewals or extensions that may not, unless  
authorized by the Government, be such that the term of  
the setting aside exceeds six years;

CONSIDERING that, in view of the ecological value of  
the territories of Mont-Sainte-Marie and Buttes-du-  
Lac-Montjoie, the Minister of Sustainable Development,  
Environment and Parks has been authorized by the  
government to confer the status of proposed biodiversity  
reserve to these territories, and that the plan of those  
areas and their proposed conservation plan have been  
approved, as provided in Order in Council 941-2008  
dated 1st October 2008;

THEREFORE, the Minister of Sustainable Development,  
Environment and Parks orders that:

(1) the status of proposed biodiversity reserve be granted  
to the Mont-Sainte-Marie and Buttes-du-Lac-Montjoie  
territories, the plan of those areas and their conservation  
plan for the term of the assigned temporary protection  
being those approved by the Government;

(2) this status is granted for a term of four years  
commencing on the date on which the notice of the  
setting aside of those areas is published in the *Gazette  
officielle du Québec*.

Québec, 3 October, 2008

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Environment and Parks*

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