M.O., 2020

Order number 2020-048 of the Minister of Health and Social Services dated 26 June 2020

Public Health Act (chapter S-2.2)

Ordering of measures to protect the health of the population amid the COVID-19 pandemic situation

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 that Order in Council orders in particular the suspension of the activities of childcare centres, day care centres and home childcare services;

Considering that the public health emergency was renewed until 29 March 2020 by Order in Council 222-2020 dated 20 March 2020, until 7 April 2020 by Order in Council 388-2020 dated 29 March 2020, until 16 April 2020 by Order in Council 418-2020 dated 7 April 2020, until 24 April 2020 by Order in Council 460-2020 dated 15 April 2020, until 29 April 2020 by Order in Council 478-2020 dated 22 April 2020, until 6 May 2020 by Order in Council 483-2020 dated 29 April 2020, until 13 May 2020 by Order in Council 501-2020 dated 6 May 2020, until 20 May 2020 by Order in Council 509-2020 dated 13 May 2020, until 27 May 2020 by Order in Council 531-2020 dated 20 May 2020, until 3 June 2020 by Order in Council 544-2020 dated 27 May 2020, until 10 June 2020 by Order in Council 572-2020 dated 3 June 2020, until 17 June 2020 by Order in Council 593-2020 dated 10 June 2020, until 23 June 2020 by Order in Council 630-2020 dated 17 June 2020 and until 30 June 2020 by Order in Council 667-2020 dated 23 June 2020;

Considering that, by Orders in Council 500-2020 dated 1 May 2020 and 566-2020 dated 27 May 2020, the suspension applicable to the activities of childcare centres, day care centres and home child-care services under Order in Council 177-2020 dated 13 March 2020 was lifted throughout Québec, provided that the activities are carried on in compliance with the conditions set out in the Schedule to Order in Council 505-2020 dated 6 May 2020, amended by Order in Council 566-2020 dated 27 May 2020, and by Ministerial Orders 2020-034 dated 9 May 2020, 2020-039 dated 22 May 2020, 2020-042 dated 12 June 2020 and 2020-047 dated 19 June 2020;

CONSIDERING that Order in Council 505-2020 dated 6 May 2020 empowers the Minister of Health and Social Services to order any modification or clarification of the measures provided for in the Order in Council;

CONSIDERING that Order in Council 667-2020 dated 23 June 2020 empowers the Minister of Health and Social Services to take any measure provided for in subparagraphs 1 to 8 of the first paragraph of section 123 of the Public Health Act;

CONSIDERING that the current situation of the COVID-19 pandemic allows for the easing of certain measures set in place to protect the health of the population, while maintaining some of the measures necessary to continue that protection;

ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

THAT the Schedule to Order in Council 505-2020 dated 6 May 2020, amended by Order in Council 566-2020 dated 27 May 2020, and by Ministerial Orders 2020-034 dated 9 May 2020, 2020-039 dated 22 May 2020, 2020-042 dated 4 June 2020, 2020-044 dated 12 June 2020 and 2020-047 dated 19 June 2020, be further amended

(1) by replacing "50%" in section 1 by "75%";

(2) by replacing "4 children, whether the provider is assisted or not" in section 2 by "5 children, or if the provider is assisted, up to 7 children";

(3) by replacing "4 children" in section 6 by "5 children";

THAT this Ministerial Order take effect on 29 June 2020.

Québec, 26 June 2020

CHRISTIAN DUBÉ, Minister of Health and Social Services

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