Regulations and other Acts

Gouvernement du Québec

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Amendment to the letters patent constituting Municipalité régionale de comté de La Matapédia

WHEREAS, under section 166 of the Act respecting land use planning and development (chapter A-19.1), as it existed on that date, Municipalité régionale de comté de La Matapédia was constituted on 1 January 1982 by letters patent issued under Décret 3234-81 dated 25 November 1981;

WHEREAS the letters patent constituting Municipalité régionale de comté de La Matapédia were amended by letters patent issued under Décret 1570-88 dated 19 October 1988;

WHEREAS, under section 3 of the Act respecting judgments rendered by the Supreme Court of Canada on the language of statutes and other instruments of a legislative nature (chapter J-1.1), those letters patent constituting Municipalité régionale de comté de La Matapédia and those issued under Décret 1570-88 dated 19 October 1988 were replaced respectively by Schedules 1 and 2 to the letters patent issued under Order in Council 90-94 dated 10 January 1994;

WHEREAS the letters patent constituting Municipalité régionale de comté de La Matapédia were amended by Orders in Council 911-2005 dated 4 October 2005 and 37-2006 dated 25 January 2006 with regard to the composition of the administrative committee;

WHEREAS the council of Municipalité régionale de comté de La Matapédia passed resolution CM 2021-027 on 10 February 2021 requesting that the Government amend its letters patent with regard to the number of votes attributed to a member of the council of the regional county municipality and the composition of the administrative committee;

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 109 of the Act to amend the Act respecting municipal territorial organization and other legislative provisions (1993, chapter 65), every regional county municipality constituted before 17 December 1993 under section 166 of the Act respecting land use planning and development, as it read before that date, continues to exist in accordance with the

provisions of its letters patent, as if it had been constituted under section 210.30 of the Act respecting municipal territorial organization enacted by section 71 of that Act;

WHEREAS, under the second paragraph of section 109 of the Act to amend the Act respecting municipal territorial organization and other legislative provisions (1993, chapter 65), the letters patent of such a regional county municipality are to be regarded as its constituting order;

WHEREAS, under section 210.39 of the Act respecting municipal territorial organization (chapter O-9), the Government may, at the request of the regional county municipality, amend the constituting order in particular with regard to the number of representatives and the number of votes;

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 210.39.1 of the Act respecting municipal territorial organization, the Government may amend the constituting order where, by reason of section 109 of chapter 65 of the statutes of 1993, it contains provisions relating in particular to the composition or the rules governing the operation of an administrative committee, for the purpose of striking out, amending or replacing such provisions;

WHEREAS, under the second paragraph of section 210.39.1 of the Act respecting municipal territorial organization, any provision relating to the composition or the rules governing the operation of an administrative committee, as it reads following an amendment or replacement provided for in the first paragraph, may depart from articles 123 to 127 of the Municipal Code of Québec (chapter C-27.1);

WHEREAS, under section 210.40 of the Act respecting municipal territorial organization, the order comes into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* or on any later date indicated therein;

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the letters patent of Municipalité régionale de comté de La Matapédia;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing:

THAT the letters patent constituting Municipalité régionale de comté de La Matapédia, issued under Décret 90-94 dated 10 January 1994 and amended by lettres patent issued under that Décret and by Orders in Council 911-2005 dated 4 October 2005 and 37-2006 dated 25 January 2006, be amended

(1) by replacing the third paragraph of the operative part by the following:

"The representative of a municipality on the council of Municipalité régionale de comté de La Matapédia has 1 vote for an initial segment of 1,500 inhabitants or less in the municipality of the representative and 1 additional vote for every additional segment of 1,500 habitants, up to a maximum of 4 votes.";

(2) by replacing the fifth paragraph of the operative part by the following:

"An administrative committee is constituted by these letters patent; it is composed of 7 members appointed according to the following modalities:

-Seat 1: ex officio the warden

-Seat 2: ex officio the deputy warden

-Seat 3: ex officio the mayor of Ville d'Amqui

— Seat 4: *ex officio* the mayor of Ville de Causapscal or the mayor of Municipalité de Sayabec, according to alternating terms of office

—Seat 5: a mayor from one of the municipalities situated in the eastern sector of the regional county municipality that includes the municipalities of Sainte-Florence, Albertville, Sainte-Marguerite-Marie, Lac-au-Saumon and Saint-Alexandre-des-Lacs

— Seat 6: a mayor from one of the municipalities situated in the central sector of the regional county municipality that includes the municipalities of Saint-Léonle-Grand, Saint-Zénon-du-Lac-Humqui, Saint-Tharcisius, Saint-Vianney and Sainte-Irène

— Seat 7: a mayor from one of the municipalities situated in the western sector of the regional county municipality that includes the municipalities of Val-Brillant, Saint-Cléophas, Saint-Moïse, Saint-Noël and Saint-Damase

The mayors of the municipalities of Amqui, Causapscal and Sayabec are not eligible for seats 5, 6 and 7 of the administrative committee. In the event that a mayor refuses either seat 3 or 4 of the administrative committee, or if one of the mayors is appointed deputy warden (seat 2), each vacant seat will be attributed by the council to a member of that council after having filled seats 5, 6 and 7. The members in seats 4, 5, 6 and 7 of the administrative committee are appointed by a resolution of the council, according to the prescribed modalities. The rules of operation of the administrative committee are those applicable to an executive committee constituted under the Municipal Code of Québec (chapter C-27.1), provided they are compatible with the rules provided for in these letters patent."

Yves Ouellet Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

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Act to amend the Natural Heritage Conservation Act and other provisions (2021, chapter 1)

Natural Heritage Conservation Act (chapter C-61.01)

Sustainable Forest Development Act (chapter A-18.1)

Certain transitional measures necessary for the application of the Act to amend the Natural Heritage Conservation Act and other provisions

Regulation respecting certain transitional measures necessary for the application of the Act to amend the Natural Heritage Conservation Act and other provisions

WHEREAS the Act to amend the Natural Heritage Conservation Act and other provisions (2021, chapter 1) was assented to on 17 February 2021 and came into force on 19 March 2021;

WHEREAS, under section 66 of the Act, the Government may, by regulation, before 19 March 2022, take any other transitional measure necessary to carry out the Act or effectively achieve its purpose;

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 44 of the Natural Heritage Conservation Act (chapter C-61.01), the Government may, by regulation, determine

(1) that, in addition to the cases provided for in the Act, the carrying on of an activity is prohibited within a protected area;