LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES AND NURSING HOMES VISITATION AND STAFF MOVEMENT ORDER

WHEREAS a state of public health emergency was declared in Prince Edward Island on March 16, 2020 as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic pursuant to Order in Council EC2020-174 and continued up to and including on March 7, 2022 by Order-in-Council EC2022-167;

AND WHEREAS in consultation with the Lieutenant Governor in Council, I believe that the special measures of the public health emergency may no longer be needed at this time in Prince Edward Island ("the Province") in order to protect the health of the population;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to subsection 39(1) of the Act, I, as the Chief Public Health Officer, may require a person to take or refrain from taking any action that is specified in an Order in respect of a communicable disease;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to subsection 56(1) of the Act, I, as the Chief Public Health Officer, may require any person to provide information that the Chief Public Health Officer reasonably considers necessary to:

   a. assess the threat that a disease presents to public health and plan for and address the threat; or

   b. evaluate and monitor the health and safety of the general public;

AND WHEREAS under the Act, including the powers of section 39 and section 56, I may continue certain restrictions in the Province as necessary to prevent, decrease or eliminate the risk to health presented by COVID-19, including in long-term care facilities and nursing homes, while relaxing certain public health requirements previously imposed using section 49 of the Act under the state of public health emergency;

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to my authority under section 49 of the Act,

I hereby order the Long-term Care Facilities and Nursing Homes Visitation and Staff Movement Order of February 17, 2022 is revoked effective April 5, 2022 at 11:59 p.m.

DATED at Charlottetown, in Queens County, Prince Edward Island this ___ day of April, 2022.

Dr. Heather Morrison
Chief Public Health Officer