NOTICE PROVINCIAL COURT OF MANITOBA

RE: CHILD PROTECTION HEARINGS

Further to our previous Notices, due to COVID-19 health restrictions within Manitoba, this is to advise the profession, those communities where the court has not resumed sitting, the child protection dockets will continue to sit in the court centers for the month of September, 2020. Child protection matters will be heard in the communities at the following locations Steinbach, Beausejour, Pine Falls, Peguis First Nation, Emerson, Portage la Prairie and Dauphin.

The Provincial Court of Manitoba is committed to re-opening a court sitting only when safety protocols and the resources to implement the safety protocols are in place to protect all participants and the community. The ability to implement such protocols is a challenging endeavour at this time affecting the opening of several circuit locations. We continue to work with our partners towards resuming court sittings, potentially in September, in Garden Hill, Little Grand Rapids, Bloodvein and Cross Lake. A further Notice will be released, shortly, if this comes to fruition.

The following dockets will sit in Winnipeg:

September 8 (Berens River)

September 9 (Bloodvein)

September 17 (St. Martin)

September 23 (Little Grand Rapids)

September 24 (Garden Hill)

The following dockets will sit in Thompson:

September 21 (Cross Lake) 10:00 a.m.

The following dockets will sit in The Pas:

September 29 (Pukatawagan)

The other directions in our Notice of April 16, 2020 will continue to apply to the child protection dockets listed above that are not taking place in the originating community.

The directions in this Notice are subject to change as the circumstances and public health directives resulting from this pandemic change.

ISSUED BY:

"Original signed by:"

The Honourable Chief Judge Margaret Wiebe

DATE: August 31, 2020