

## **CLASS ORDER**

of the Medical Officer of Health for the Grey Bruce Health Unit

made pursuant to s. 22 of the *Health Protection and Promotion Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. H. 7 as amended.

Date: May 14, 2020

TO:

ALL MUNICIPALITIES WITHIN THE AREA OF THE GREY BRUCE HEALTH UNIT (being "persons" within the class affected by this Order and whose names appear on Schedule "A" attached to this Order) who shall be and ARE REQUIRED BY THIS ORDER,

- I, Dr. Ian Arra, the Medical Officer of Health for the Grey Bruce Health Unit, order you to take the following actions in respect of any real property you control, occupy or are in charge of that is or contains a beach or shore ordinarily accessible to the public and which includes any point of entry thereto (each being a "Premises"),
  - (a) to close the Premises to all persons excepting only law enforcement personnel, public health employees, emergency medical response and rescue personnel, and persons employed by a municipality who are acting in the course of their employment duties;
  - (b) to placard the Premises giving visible notice of the closing of the Premises at each point of entry, including a statement as to liability of persons for trespass during the closure; and
  - (c) to use reasonable efforts to advertise the closure of Premises including news media, websites, social media and other outlets for dissemination of information to the general public forthwith and continuing until such time as this Order is rescinded, suspended or cancelled; and

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A healthier future for all.

THIS ORDER shall come into force on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020 at 12:00 noon Eastern Daylight Time and shall remain in effect until rescinded by further Order and all persons to whom the Order is directed must comply with this Order.

#### THE REASONS for this ORDER are that:

- COVID-19 is a disease of public health significance and has been designated as communicable under Ontario Regulation 135/18 as amended.
- ii. COVID-19 has been declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization.
- iii. The Province of Ontario and each municipality to which this order is directed have declared an emergency under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* as a result of the pandemic.
- iv. The COVID-19 virus is spread from an infected person to a close contact by direct contact or when respiratory secretions from the infected person enter the eyes, nose or mouth of another person;

# As the Medical Officer of Health for the Grey Bruce, I am of the opinion, on reasonable and probable grounds that:

- the communicable disease caused by a novel coronavirus known as COVID-19 now exists and will persist in the health unit served by the Medical Officer of Health without this Order;
- II. COVID-19 presents a clear risk to the health of persons in the health unit served by me; and
- III. The requirements specified in this Order are necessary in order to help decrease or eliminate the risk to health presented by COVID-19 in the health unit by reducing community transmission and spread.

### **NOTICE:**

TAKE NOTICE THAT each member of the class in entitled to a hearing by the Health Services Appeal and Review Board if the member has delivered to the Medical Officer of Health and to the Health Services Appeal and Review Board (151 Bloor Street West, 9th Floor, Toronto, Ontario M5S 1S4, E-mail: hsarb@ontario.ca) a notice in writing, requesting a hearing within 15 days after the effective date and time of this Order or otherwise in accordance with applicable law.

**AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT** although a hearing may be requested this Order takes effect when it is delivered to a member of the class or brought to the attention of a member of the class.

**FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS Order** is an offence for which you may be liable, on conviction, to a fine of not more than \$25,000.00 for every day or part of each day on which the offence occurs or continues.

SIGNED THIS 14th DAY OF MAY, 2020 AT OWEN SOUND, ONTARIO.

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This Order shall be posted on the Grey Bruce Health Unit website: www.publichealthgreybruce.on.ca

ANY INQUIRY respecting this Order may be directed to the Medical Officer of Health at the address hereon.

### **SCHEDULE A TO CLASS ORDER**

## of the Medical Officer of Health for the Grey Bruce Health Unit

## dated 14 May 2020.

| 1. | County of | Grey |
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- 2. City of Owen Sound
- 3. Municipality of Grey Highlands
- 4. Municipality of Meaford
- 5. Municipality of West Grey
- 6. Town of Hanover
- 7. Town of The Blue Mountains
- 8. Township of Chatsworth
- 9. Township of Georgian Bluffs
- 10. Township of Southgate
- 11. County of Bruce
- 12. Town of Saugeen Shores
- 13. Municipality of Kincardine
- 14. Municipality of Brockton
- 15. Town of South Bruce Peninsula
- 16. Municipality of Arran–Elderslie
- 17. Township of Huron-Kinloss
- 18. Municipality of South Bruce
- 19. Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula