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Don't take any risks during Easter, says President

Nunatsiavut President Johannes Lampe is appealing to Beneficiaries of the Labrador Inuit Land Claims Agreement to ensure they continue practicing social distancing and to refrain from any gatherings during the Easter season to order to help prevent potential exposure and spread of the coronavirus COVID-19.

“The Easter week is a special time for all of us – a time when we normally gather with family and friends, when we help our neighbors, when we go off on the land or go to our cabins,” notes President Lampe. “As we prepare for Easter, I encourage all residents of Nunatsiavut to find alternate and creative ways to celebrate, gather and worship. Right now there are no known cases of COVID-19 in our communities, but that should not be a reason to be complacent. Things are changing very quickly, and we all must assume the virus is already in our communities. We all have to do our part to protect ourselves, our families and each other.”

The President is asking that there be no travel to and between any Labrador Inuit community during the Easter break unless it is vitally essential. As well, those going off on the land or to their cabins should only do so with people whom they live with, he says, and there should be no social gatherings or events whatsoever.

“We are asking all families and friends to celebrate Easter with the loved ones they live with all the time and to avoid travelling to see other family members or friends or gathering in large groups. We cannot afford to take any risks.”

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