PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION ORDER, 2020 (No. 3)

WHEREAS section 3.4.3 of the *Labrador Inuit Constitution* provides that an election for President of Nunatsiavut shall be held on the first Tuesday in May in every fourth calendar year;

WHEREAS the First Minister of Nunatsiavut previously issued the *Presidential Election Order*, 2020 on March 20, 2020, in which the 2020 election for President of Nunatsiavut was set to be held on Tuesday, May 5th, 2020

WHEREAS as a result of rapidly escalating public health emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic it was not possible to hold an election that would have been properly conducted in accordance with spirit, intent and requirements of the Labrador Inuit Constitution and the Nunatsiavut Elections Act.

WHEREAS the First Minister of Nunatsiavut consulted with the Members of the Nunatsiavut Assembly who recommended that it was in the interest of Labrador Inuit that the election for President of Nunatsiavut be adjourned for a limited period to such a time that it is anticipated that such an election could be conducted in a manner consistent with Inuit law.

WHEREAS the First Minister of Nunatsiavut issued the *Presidential Election Order*, 2020 (No.2), on March 27, 2020, which rescinded the previous Order and stated that the 2020 election for President of Nunatsiavut would be held on October 6th, 2020.

AND WHEREAS s. 117(2) of the *Nunatsiavut Elections Act* specifies that:

(2) An order under subsection (1) must be issued no earlier than 50 and no later than 45 clear days prior to the election and must set the date for the close of nominations at 12 noon on the thirty-fifth day preceding the election.

NOW THEREFORE the First Minister of Nunatsiavut, acting on the advice of the other members of the Nunatsiavut Executive Council, is pleased to make the following Order respecting the election for President of Nunatsiavut:

Authority

1.

This Order is made under section 117(1) of the Nunatsiavut Elections Act.

Interpretation

2.

Unless the context otherwise requires, terms used in this Order have the same meaning as in the *Nunatsiavut Elections Act*.

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Date of Presidential Election

3.

The election for President of Nunatsiavut shall be held on Tuesday, October 6th, 2020.

Date for Close of Nominations in Election for President

4.

The date for the close of nominations in the election for President of Nunatsiavut shall be 12 o'clock noon on Tuesday, September 1st, 2020, at the office of the Nunatsiavut Electoral Officer in the community of Happy Valley-Goose Bay, NL.

This Order comes into effect at 12:00 noon on <u>August 18</u>, 2020.

ISSUED under the Nunatsiavut Seal

on the 18th day of Curgust, 2020, by:

Tyler Edmunds First Minister