



## BAND COUNCIL RESOLUTION

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| <b>THE COUNCIL OF THE</b> | <b>FISHER RIVER CREE NATION</b> |                       |                     |
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### DO HEREBY RESOLVE:

- WHEREAS** Chief and Council are the duly elected representatives of Fisher River Cree Nation (“FRCN”) and are empowered to make decisions for the benefit of the community and its members;
- WHEREAS** Chief and Council are obligated to take actions as necessary to protect the safety and security of its members;
- WHEREAS** FRCN, and Canada as a whole, are in the process of confronting the threat posed by the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic, which poses a significant threat to the health, safety, security, and interests of all members of FRCN;
- WHEREAS** The World Health Organization officially declared the COVID-19 outbreak to be a global pandemic on March 11, 2020. The Province of Manitoba has, acting based on advice and information received from health officials, declared a state of emergency as of the morning of March 20, 2020, in order to take extraordinary measures to combat the viral outbreak. Similarly, the Assembly of First Nations of Canada declared a national state of emergency on March 23, 2020;
- WHEREAS** Chief and Council passed the Fisher River Cree Nation Emergency Measures By-Law, being By-Law No. 2020-14 on April 15, 2020, providing Council with the legal authority to declare and implement a state of emergency for the FRCN community;

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**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**


1. Chief and Council hereby declare a state of emergency for the community of Fisher River Cree Nation, and intend for Council to take what steps it deems necessary to protect community members, their health, safety, and interests in face of this unprecedented threat of COVID-19;
2. Under this state of emergency, FRCN reserves the right to take such steps as restricting the operation of business operations on reserve, prohibiting community gatherings, restricting access and travel throughout the reserve, including the establishment of check-stops, implementing a community-wide lockdown, and/or to implement such further measures as are deemed necessary in the circumstances as they develop;
3. This state of emergency shall be in effect for an initial term of 30 days, after which it will be reviewed and may be terminated, amended, or extended for additional successive periods not exceeding 30 days, as necessary in the circumstances. Chief and Council will conduct this review in consultation with all relevant local, provincial, and federal professionals;
4. Chief and Council shall immediately impose the following specific measures on the FRCN community for the purpose of combatting the spread of COVID-19 in the FRCN community:

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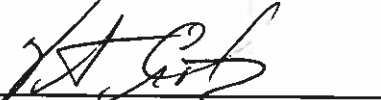
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- a. A general travel ban shall be in effect immediately upon the passing of this BCR that is applicable to all non-essential travel to and from any locations inside or outside of Manitoba;
- b. Members of the FRCN community shall only travel outside of the community to either Fisher Branch or Arborg when necessary in order to obtain essential goods and services, such as groceries and medical services. Members are asked to make efforts to ensure that these trips are limited to a maximum of 3 hours. Where members are required to travel beyond Fisher Branch or Arborg for reasons such as specialized medical care or other critical services, exceptions shall be made to accommodate these needs;
- c. Checkpoints shall be set up so as to intercept all traffic in and out of the FRCN community. All vehicles will be stopped upon re-entering the community in order to check IDs, ask questions about the locations travelled, and may request shopping receipts or other proof or explanations in order to verify the purpose of the trip. Those found in violation of the travel ban and restrictions shall be ordered to self-isolate for 14 days upon re-entering the community, to be followed up on and monitored by officials. Violations may also be subject to fines or other penalties as provided for under the Fisher River Cree Nation Emergency Measures By-Law.

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- d. Non-FRCN members shall be denied entry to the community at the checkpoints that have been established at the community entrances. Exceptions shall be made for the spouses, common-law partners, and children of FRCN members. Essential workers who work as emergency responders, medical professionals, or in other emergency relief positions, including those who have been enlisted to work in such capacities by FRCN, shall also be exempt;
- e. A curfew shall be imposed within the FRCN community from 10 P.M. to 6 A.M. each day. The checkpoints will serve to deny all access in and out of the FRCN community between those hours, unless there is an emergency situation requiring travel;
- f. FRCN shall enforce all provincial public health orders, including the limit on the number of people who may gather at one time, which currently stands at 10, though may fluctuate as the situation continues to develop. It is the responsibility of all FRCN members to inform themselves of the most recent public health orders and to comply with each of them. Violators may face fines or other penalties as provided by the province or under the Fisher River Cree Nation Emergency Measures By-Law.

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