May 28, 2020

Re: Request for Exemption - Order 18-2020 – Day Camps operated in Recreational or Entertainment Businesses or Entities

Pursuant to the recommendations of the Chief Medical Officer of Health for Alberta a public health emergency was declared in the Province of Alberta on March 16, 2020 pursuant to s. 52.1 of the Public Health Act of Alberta.

Pursuant to that declaration of a public health emergency the Chief Medical Officer of Health (CMOH), pursuant to her authority under s. 29(2.1) of the Public Health Act, made CMOH Order 18-2020 that identified businesses or entities allowed to offer goods and services at locations accessible to the public, except in the City of Calgary and the Town of Brooks, and CMOH Order 19-2020 that identified businesses or entities allowed to offer goods and services at locations accessible to the public, in the City of Calgary and the Town of Brooks, (the Orders) as well as any other steps to lessen the impact of a public health emergency when offering those goods or services. A copy of the Orders are attached for your reference.

Pursuant to Section 21 in each of the Orders the CMOH may exempt in writing persons or classes of persons from the operation of each respective order.

The Office of CMOH has received requests that Recreational or Entertainment Businesses or Entities identified in Section 4 to Appendix A of the Orders be exempt from the Orders when providing day camps to children under 18 years of age. Currently Recreational or Entertainment Businesses or Entities as per the Orders and Section 4 to Appendix A of the Order are closed to the public and are not allowed to offer day camp services to the public.

Pursuant to Section 21 of each of the Orders I am satisfied that an exemption be made allowing Recreational or Entertainment Businesses or Entities identified in Section 4 to Appendix A in each of the Orders to operate day camps. As such the persons identified below are exempt from the provisions set out in Sections 3 and 4 of Order 18-2020 and Sections 11 and 12 of Order 19-2020 and Section 4 of the Appendix A to the Orders when providing day camps to the public subject to the following conditions:

I. Recreational or Entertainment Businesses or Entities that offer day camps to the public must comply to the extent possible with the Guidance for Day
Camps modified to allow for the operation of day camps and the Workplace Guidance for Business Owners.

Persons exempted from Sections 3 and 4 of Order 18-2020 and Sections 11 and 12 of Order 19-2020 and Section 4 of Appendix A to the Orders are still subject to any other applicable directions or other provisions of the Order.

The exemption provided by this letter may be terminated or modified by the CMOH in writing without notice at any time and for any reason as determined by the CMOH. This exemption comes into effect on May 28, 2020 and continues until terminated by the CMOH.

We trust this is satisfactory.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

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Enclosure