NOTICE OF MEETING

- TO: MEMBERS OF THE Rivers LOCAL
- TAKE NOTICE OF A MEETING OF THE RIVERS LOCAL: DATE: November 24, 2023

TIME: 5:30 pm

PLACE: **Riverdale Community Centre** 101 Main St. Rivers, MB

THE PURPOSE OF THE MEETING IS:

- 1. TO DETERMINE A MOTION TO REMOVE CHARLES VENTNOR AS CHAIR;
- 2. IF CHARLES VENTNOR IS REMOVED, TO HOLD AN ELECTION FOR CHAIR;
- 3. TO DETERMINE IF THE LOCAL WISHES TO SPLIT THE POSITION OF SECRETARY-TREASURER INTO SECRETARY AND TREASURER (4 EXECUTIVE POSITIONS);
- 4. TO HOLD ELECTIONS FOR ANY VACANT EXECUTIVE POSITIONS OF THE LOCAL;
- 5. TO ESTABLISH SIGNING OFFICERS FOR THE LOCAL; AND
- 6. SUCH FURTHER BUSINESS AS MAY BE APPROVED BY MOTION AT THE MEETING.

zoom participation MAY BE available if a sufficient number of citizens register by 4:30 pm on **November 17, 2023**, with the Office of the Chief Electoral Officer (CEO). Additional provisions respecting ZOOM participation are included in the Rules of the Meeting.

Additional information is available from the Regional Office or the CEO. The address of the Chief Electoral Officer is:

GIVEN BY MY HAND THIS 14TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2023.

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Leah LaPlante, Vice-President, SW Region

RULES OF THE MEETING

ONLY CITIZENS OF THE RED RIVER METIS, REGISTERED AS MEMBERS OF THE LOCAL, ON THE DATE OF THE MEETING WILL BE ENTITLED TO SPEAK AT THE MEETING, RUN FOR OFFICE, OR TO VOTE ON THE ISSUES RAISED.

Members/citizens who reside more than 100 kilometres from the meeting place, who are travelling away from their residence, or who are otherwise incapable of attending on the day of the meeting may be able to attend via "Zoom" (a Zoom link will be attempted). TO BE ELIGIBLE, A CITIZEN MUST REGISTER FOR ZOOM PARTICIPATION WITH THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER NO LATER THAN 4:30 pm on **November 17, 2023.** The inability to create or interruption to a ZOOM link shall not invalidate the meeting.

CITIZENS CAN BE NOMINATED IN ADVANCE BY NOTICE IN WRITING, signed by two citizens who are members of the local. The nominee must also sign ACCEPTING THE NOMINATION and DECLARING for which position or positions they wish to be considered. To be accepted, the chief electoral officer must receive such nomination by 4:30 p.m. on **November 17, 2023.** NOMINATIONS WILL ALSO BE ACCEPTED FROM THE FLOOR OF THE MEETING ON THE DAY OF THE ELECTION. Persons nominated from the floor must accept in person or by signed letter setting out the specific position the citizen will accept.

THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER SHALL CONDUCT THE MEETING ACCORDING TO ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER. His decisions shall be final and binding. Winning candidates must receive 50% of the votes cast.

THE ELECTIONS SHALL TAKE PLACE IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

- 1. CHAIRMAN
- 2. SECRETARY-TREASURER (IF ONLY 3 EXECUTIVE OFFICERS)
- 3. SECRETARY (IF 4 EXECUTIVE OFFICERS)
- 4. TREASURER (IF 4 EXECUTIVE OFFICERS)

NOTICE OF MOTION TO REMOVE CHAIR

TO: CHARLES VENTNOR, CHAIR OF RIVERS LOCAL

AND TO: RIVERS LOCAL MEMBERS

AND TO: THE REGIONAL EXECUTIVE OFFICERS, SOUTHWEST REGION

TAKE NOTICE THAT THE REGIONAL EXECUTIVE HAVE RECEIVED notice that a motion has been introduced at a meeting of the Rivers Local and adjourned to a meeting date for consideration that you, Charles Ventnor, be removed as chair of the Rivers Local.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE THAT THE Individuals within the Local have voiced a similar complaint to the Regional Executive, and therefore the Regional Executive have referred this matter to me as Chief Electoral Officer to conduct the meeting with proper notice and following an appropriate process.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that a meeting, for which a further separate, additional Notice will be given, to be held on **November 24, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. at the Rivers Community Centre** a vote on the motion to remove you will be held. The requirement is that 50% of those voting in favour or against the motion must vote in favour of the motion for you to be removed.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE THAT all members of the Rivers Local, who are Red River Métis citizens are entitled to attend and to vote on the motion.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE THAT THE GROUNDS OF THE MOTION ARE:

- 1. There has not been a meeting of the Local called;
- 2. The Chair has not been available to the other executive officers/signing officers;
- 3. No action has been taken on planning for the year or on the application for or implementation of the capacity grant;
- 4. There has been no action from the Chair to increase or stabilize membership or address the needs of Métis in getting citizenship;
- 5. The Chair did not attend the Regional meeting;
- 6. The Chair has now been barred from the Legion for life because of misbehaviour which reflects badly on the Local; and
- 7. The Chair does not appear to have a permanent residence in Rivers, or anywhere else, and appears to be improperly living with his mother, which reflects poorly on the Local.
- 8. Such further and other reasons as may be made at the meeting.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that you are entitled to attend the meeting, speak to the resolution, vote on the motion, and provide such answer to same as you deem appropriate. And you may, at your own expense, attend with legal counsel.

DATED THIS 13TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2023 at WINNIPEG, MANITOBA.

David Gray, Chief Electoral Officer