

Proclamation

<u>Declaration of State of Emergency and</u> <u>Existence of Catastrophic Health Emergency – COVID-19</u>

Whereas, an outbreak of disease ("COVID-19") caused by the novel coronavirus in Huhei province, China, in late 2019, and has currently been detected in 90 countries, including the Grand River Country;

Whereas, COVID -19 is a severe respiratory disease, resulting in illness or death, caused by the person-to-person spread of the novel coronavirus, which was not previously found in humans;

Whereas, the novel coronavirus, as a viral agent capable of causing extensive loss of life or serious disability, is a deadly agent;

Whereas, the World Health Organization ("WHO"), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") have declared the COVID-19 outbreak a "public health emergency of international concern";

Whereas, the Director of Disease Prevention & Sanitation Services has declared that COVID-19 creates a public health emergency;

Whereas, the transmission of the novel coronavirus in the state is a threat to human health in all of Haldimand Province;

Whereas, the person-to-person spread modeled by the WHO and CDC indicates that extensive loss of life or serious disability is threatened imminently in all of Haldimand Province because of the transmission in the state of novel coronavirus;

Whereas, COVID-19 is a public health catastrophe and public emergency;

Whereas, COVID-19 poses an immediate danger to public safety; and,

Whereas, the impending threat to Haldimand Province by COVID-19 is a catastrophic health emergency requiring the University to deploy resources and implement emergency powers of the Secretary-General to protect the health and safety of our residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, I BENJAMIN DOOLITTLE UE, Secretary-General of the Mohawk University, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Mohawk University Constitution, Including but not limited to Haldimand Pledge and Haldimand Proclamation, and in an effort to control and prevent the spread of COVID-19 within the Province, Hereby Proclaim, effective immediately, that a State of Emergency and Catastrophic health emergency exists within the entire Province of Haldimand.

Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of Mohawk University, in the Haldimand Province, this 21st day of March, 2020.

Signed: Benjamin Doolittle U.E.

Secretary-General

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