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COMMUNIQUÉ

Phase 2 of Reopening begins TOMORROW (Friday, June 4th)

For immediate release

(Kahnawake – 3, Ohiarí:ha/June 2021) The Kahnawà:ke COVID-19 Task Force (Task Force) wishes to confirm that Phase 2 of the Reopening Process will begin **tomorrow** (Friday June 4, 2021). This is the next step in the phased-in approach for decrease in emergency measures in the community, as it has become clear that the effects of the pandemic are lessening at this time.

Phase 2 includes (but is not limited to) the following:

- **Outdoor private & public gatherings:** increase to maximum of 25 persons, space permitting and with measures
- **Indoor private gatherings:** increase to two other households to a maximum of 8 persons
- **Churches, funerals & ceremonial gatherings:** increase to **50% capacity**, with spacing and measures
- **Restaurants:** expansion of allowances for on-site dining to **50% capacity**, with two household maximum per table
- **Gyms & fitness centers:** will be permitted to increase capacity to 12 persons, if space permits
- **Gaming establishments:** reopening with pre-approved Orange Zone restrictions
- **Cigar lounges:** allowances of 50% capacity on terraces only
- **Restriction of access** for non-locals to businesses will be lifted

As stated last week, the Task Force is taking a four (4) phased approach. Phase 1 began on May 21, 2021.

Phases 3 and 4, which will see a continuation of reduced restrictions, are tentatively scheduled at two-week intervals; however this will be reassessed as we continue through the phases.

The full Reopening Plan can be accessed by [clicking here](#). Please note that **all dates and measures are tentative** at this time due to the changing nature of the pandemic.

It is important to note that, even with the large percentage of community as well as Quebec being vaccinated, we need to remain vigilant and continue to follow all health and safety measures in place to protect our community – especially our vulnerable population who remain at risk.

The Task Force appreciates everyone's cooperation and respect of the health and safety measures, ensuring a safe reopening.