

Date: February 3, 2025 Special Meeting

Re: Addition to the pro bono activities covered by the Law Society of Nunavut Access to Justice Program and the Law Society of Nunavut liability insurance group contract.

Resolution to provide for the inclusion of Commissioner of Oaths and Notary Public Servants as part of disaster response in the Law Society of Nunavut's (LSN) Access to Justice (A2J) Program and hereby extending liability insurance coverage to all members of the Nunavut Bar.

**WHEREAS** there are a shortage of Commissioners for Oaths and Notary Publics in the Territory of Nunavut;

**AND WHEREAS** individuals affected by the fire at Noble House in Iqaluit and individuals who may be affected by future disasters in the Territory require services of Commissioners for Oaths and Notary Publics;

**AND WHEREAS** there are lawyers, members of the Nunavut Bar, who in the normal course of their employment are exempted from liability insurance coverage, who are willing to provide these services on a pro bono basis but who require insurance coverage to do so;

**AND WHEREAS** the LSN provides insurance coverage under the LSN's insurer, the Canadian Lawyers Insurance Association, to members operating in accordance with an Access to Justice (A2J) Program initiative per Rule 93(5.1) of the *Rules of the Law Society of Nunavut*;

**AND WHEREAS** to provide that insurance, the pro bono Commissioner for Oaths and Notary Public services must be included under the LSN's A2J Program;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the LSN confirms that the provision of pro bono Commissioner of Oaths and Notary Public services as part of disaster response are now included in the LSN's A2J Program and thereby covered by the LSN's liability insurance group contract.

(All in favour. Motion Carried)