

Ministerial Order No. 2022-007

COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL SERVICES Office of the Minister

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 10 of the Schedule of the *Income and Employment Supports Act* (the *Act*), the Minister may determine the amount or value of a supplementary income support payment or allowance and the frequency with which the payment or allowance may be provided for the purposes of Schedule 4 of the Income Support, Training and Health Benefits Regulation (the Regulation).

AND WHEREAS section 16.1 of Schedule 4 of the Regulation outlines circumstances when a prenatal needs payment may be provided.

I, JASON LUAN, Minister of Community and Social Services, effective January 1, 2022:

- 1. Pursuant to section 10 of the Schedule of the *Act*, establish the amount and frequency for a prenatal needs payment under section 16.1 of Schedule 4 of the Regulation as \$100 per month;
- 2. Determine that a prenatal needs payment may be paid to a member of the household unit, who will be at least 14 weeks pregnant in the month that payment of the first prenatal needs payment is made;
- 3. Determine that a prenatal needs payment is payable monthly until the last day of the month of the household member's expected date of delivery;
- 4. Determine that if the pregnancy ends prematurely, payment of the prenatal needs payment will end in the month in which the pregnancy ended.

DATED this 4th day of May, 2022

Jason Luan

Minister of Community and Social Services