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SUBJECT: Modifications to Stage 2 Restrictions for Performing Arts
Venues

I am writing to inform you that under the *Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act, 2020*, the Ontario Government has amended Ontario Regulation 263/20 (Rules for Areas in Stage 2) to modify restrictions with respect to performing arts venues.

These modifications for Stage 2 regions will permit concert venues, theatres and cinemas to open for the purpose of rehearsing or performing a recorded or broadcasted concert, artistic event or theatrical performance provided that no spectators/audiences are present, and performers maintain physical distancing (with limited exceptions). In addition, singers and players of brass or wind instruments must be separated from other performers by plexiglass or some other impermeable barrier.

This amendment comes into effect on October 17, 2020.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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