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MEMORANDUM TO: All Chiefs of Police and

> Commissioner Thomas Carrique Chairs, Police Services Boards

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SUBJECT: **COVID-19 Enforcement Support Line**

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Further to All Chiefs Memorandum 20-0028, I am pleased to inform you that the province has launched a toll-free line to provide support to chiefs of police, policing personnel, and other enforcement personnel regarding the enforcement of emergency orders under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act (EMCPA).

The COVID-19 Enforcement Support Line has been established at 1-866-389-7638. The line is **now open** for inquiries. Assistance is available Monday to Sunday, from 8:00 a.m. EST – 9:00 p.m. EST. As you may know, the province has established a separate 1-800 number to provide support to Ontario businesses and the public who have questions about the province's recent emergency order to close certain workplaces following recommendations by Ontario's Chief Medical Officer of Health.

This dedicated COVID-19 Enforcement Support line is available to only policing personnel and other enforcement personnel who are designated as provincial offences officers for the purpose of enforcing emergency orders under the EMCPA.

Please distribute this memorandum to policing personnel within your service. To ensure the line can effectively respond to enforcement inquiries. I ask that you do not disclose information associated with the Support Line to the general public.

As a reminder, the ministry encourages chiefs of police to advise policing personnel to use their discretion and undertake a graduated approach to enforcement of the emergency orders.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

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