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COMMUNIQUÉ

Businesses are still closed in Kahnawake

For immediate release

(Kahnawake – 26, Onerahtohkó:wa/May 2020) The Kahnawà:ke COVID-19 Task Force wishes to issue a reminder that all Kahnawà:ke stores remain **CLOSED** to non-residents at this time.

While there is a plan in place to prepare for the eventual removal of these restrictions on June 1st, the restrictions remain and will be strictly enforced. Anyone who is found to be on the Territory without valid reason is liable to a fine, with costs, in the amount of approximately **\$1,500.**

"During normal times we are a very welcoming community, but we are in the midst of a pandemic," said Commissioner of Public safety Lloyd Phillips. "We will continue to take every precaution to protect the health & safety of our vulnerable population and restricted access will remain."

Until the restrictions are removed **non-locals are NOT permitted in Kahnawà:ke** unless they have proof that they are working in or performing essential services on the Territory or are permitted under the authority of the Task Force (such as restaurant delivery services and pool opening services).