Hi everyone,

Easter is here and despite some serious hiccups, a foot or more of snow, it seems like Spring has almost (fingers crossed) arrived. Another positive is I have just received word that the Easter Bunny is immune to COVD-19 and will be doing his regular rounds so chocolate will remain a staple this year as in other years.

This long weekend traditionally for many includes travel to visit family and friends or have family and friends coming home. To anyone planning on travelling this weekend, I strongly encourage you to rethink. This decision would not only go against public heath orders but, those who travel to say Prince Albert or Saskatoon would still be required to self-isolate for 14 days upon return to Manitoba. We have already seen spikes in our neighboring and western provinces. It seems a third wave may already be impacting certain parts of the country with the new variants becoming more prevalent. We don't want that to happen here.

This Easter long weekend I'm really hoping our community will continue to care for one another by following the existing rules such as avoiding any large gatherings outside the allowable. Remember, indoor gatherings inside your household are limited to two outside individuals or, one additional household. Any large gatherings, especially those over 10 people can and should be done virtually. With spring in the air I know it's hard but the results are starting to speak for themselves.

The accessing vaccinations are still our biggest challenge but we have seen an increase in availability for Flin Flon and that availability will continue to increase. As I mentioned last week, we will continue to secure more vaccination days so there should be no need for anyone to travel outside of Flin Flon for a vaccination in the future. Please continue to monitor the NRHA and Provincial websites for the latest updates on vaccination availability in Flin Flon.

Until next week, have a safe, great Easter Weekend everyone!

Mayor Cal Huntley