



PREMIER of MANITOBA
Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs and International Relations
Minister responsible for Indigenous Reconciliation

Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0V8 CANADA

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Dear Minister Moses,

I am honoured that you have agreed to serve Manitobans as the Minister for Business, Trade, Mining and Job Creation.

Our government is a listening government. As a Minister, I expect you to respect the excellence and expert advice of the public service and to work with them on our shared mission to serve the people of Manitoba.

Manitobans told us it was time for change. We have promised to deliver a government that builds a shared future for our province. Our platform offered an ambitious and responsible plan to make health care better, lower costs, and grow the economy with good jobs and a balanced budget.

Manitobans expect us to fulfill our commitments, and it is my expectation that you deliver on the commitments that pertain to your Ministry. Delivering on our core election commitments within a balanced budget is critical to fulfilling the mandate Manitobans have given us.

As the Minister of Business, Trade, Mining and Job Creation, you are responsible for growing our economy with good Manitoba jobs, supporting Manitoba businesses and increasing investment in our province. You are tasked with kickstarting the next wave of critical mineral development in our province and marketing Manitoba's minerals to the world as we seek to benefit from the global shift to a low-carbon economy.

In particular, I ask that you work with your Cabinet colleagues and through legislative, regulatory and department processes to deliver on these immediate priorities:

- Implement our new critical minerals strategy and bring new mines online with the support and participation of Indigenous nations.
- Grow our economy with good Manitoba jobs for Manitobans.
- Support Manitoba businesses and help them grow.
- Work with the Premier's Business and Jobs Council to articulate an economic development strategy that grows our economy and creates good jobs.
- Consult with Manitoba business councils, industry leaders, labour and economic development agencies to create a new, streamlined approach to economic development that builds on the strengths of every region in the province.

- Work with our Advisor on Canada-U.S. Trade, Gary Doer, and I to advance our trading partnership with the U.S.
- Support the oil and gas industry in Manitoba with better oversight.

Additionally I ask that you work with your Cabinet colleagues and through legislative, regulatory and department processes to deliver on our other key commitments:

- Work with the Minister for Advanced Education and Training to boost the retention of young Manitobans and align workforce development with labour market needs and economic opportunities.
- Create 10,000 new jobs in the skilled trades over eight years.
- Work with tradespeople, their representatives and educational institutions to create more apprenticeship positions in the skilled trades.
- Create new jobs in electric transit manufacturing.
- Work with the department of Transportation and Infrastructure to pursue initiatives to develop Churchill and Centreport as transportation and supply chain hubs.

In addition to these priorities, I also expect that you uphold your role with integrity, professionalism and a commitment to accountability. That includes working closely with your Deputy Minister and your senior officials to ensure all decisions are made in the public interest. Just like any high-performing organization, our government will set metrics and measurable goals, listen to evidence and frontline workers, regularly assess our work and report on our progress in order to deliver on the results Manitobans deserve.

The road ahead will have challenges. Change does not come easily. But we owe it to the people of this great province to deliver on our commitments. I know you are as committed as I am to working hard every day to deliver for the people of Manitoba. Our Cabinet will reflect the values all Manitobans share of honesty, hard work, pragmatism and kindness.

Manitobans can accomplish amazing things when we stand together as one province. I firmly believe there is no challenge that we cannot meet when we are united as one Manitoba.

I know I can count on you to fulfill these important responsibilities. As Premier I promise to support you as a Minister, consult with you as a Manitoban and lean on you as a friend. Together, we will work to honour the trust Manitobans have given us.

Miigwech, Merci, Thank you,

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