The following is the press release from BC Ringette regarding COVID-19. As you have registered yourself or your child(ren) for our Spring Ringette season, we would like to notify you that the Season has been suspended. As a result of the suspension Surrey White Rock Ringette Association is halting registration for our 2020 Spring Ringette season until further notice.

We are asking our parents and players for patience and understanding during this challenging time. We will await guidance from BC Ringette before we re-open registration. It is our intention to run a Spring Ringette program when the COVID-19 situation improves and subject to the directives from BC Ringette. Refunds for those who have already registered will be made available. Please contact registrar@surreywhiterockringette.com for details.

March 13, 2020

OFFICIAL STATEMENT FROM RINGETTE BC

COVID - 19 Update

Further to the, <u>bulletin released by Ringette Canada</u> on March 13 at 4:15 pm and to action taken by other national sport organizations Ringette BC is suspending all ringette activities effective immediately until further notice.

Ringette activities include, but are not limited to, all competitions, training, practices, Come Try Ringette, coach and referee education and team activities. The intent of the suspension is to limit situations of physical contact.

COVID-19 was declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization on March 11, 2020. As a result the Provincial Health Officer for the Province of British Columbia, Dr. Bonnie Henry, announced on March 12 at 3:45 pm that with the escalating risk of community transmission, to protect people in our communities, event organizers are being required to cancel any gathering larger than 250 people.

Ringette BC understands that this is a disappointing end to the season; however, the health and safety of our members and their communities is of utmost importance. Thank you to our event Host Committees for all of your work to prepare for events and competitions. To parents, coaches, athletes, referees and Club Associations your patience and understanding during this difficult time is greatly appreciated.

Ringette BC is continuing to follow the guidance and directives of the Provincial Health authority and will provide updates to our members as they come available. Any concerns regarding the cancellation of venues, facilities, accommodations or transportation should be directed to the companies, municipalities, or organizations responsible for providing the corresponding services.

Sincerely,

Nicole Robb Executive Director, Ringette BC

Sincerely,

Sam Jackson

President Surrey White Rock Ringette Association