IN THE MATTER OF the Nova Scotia Criminal Code Review Board

AND IN THE MATTER OF the accused, **James MacLean**

AND IN THE MATTER OF a hearing held pursuant to Section 672.81(1) (Annual Hearing) of the *Criminal Code of Canada*.

INTERIM DISPOSITION ORDER

WHEREAS on the 5th day of November 2025, the accused was found *Unfit to Stand Trial* on charges of: **Murder** contrary to s.235(1) of the *Criminal Code of Canada*.

AND WHEREAS the accused is presently detained at the East Coast Forensic Psychiatric Hospital.

AND WHEREAS a hearing was held at the East Coast Forensic Psychiatric Hospital on the 9th day of November 2026, to make a Disposition Order pursuant to s.672.54 of the *Criminal Code of Canada*.

AND WHEREAS the East Coast Forensic Psychiatric Hospital is designated for the custody, treatment, or assessment of the accused, in respect of whom an assessment order, disposition or placement decision is made.

1. **IT IS ORDERED** that the accused ☑ continue to be detained in the East Coast Forensic Psychiatric Hospital, ☐ Gradual transfer to the Transition Program, ☐ Conditional Discharge be granted (the Conditional Discharge to be implemented within a reasonable period of time), ☐ Conditional Discharge be continued, ☐ Absolute Discharge be granted, ☐ no change to current Disposition, ☐ the Board approves the recommendations as submitted by the East Coast Forensic Psychiatric Hospital (See Schedule "A")

2. **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that ☑ the Administrator of the East Coast Forensic Psychiatric Hospital implement a program for the safe custody and rehabilitation of the accused within the East Coast Forensic Psychiatric Hospital, in which the Administrator, in his discretion, subject to the mental condition and needs of the accused, may ☐ in the case of an accused who is deemed unfit, or ☐ on conditional discharge, subject to the following conditions: (See Schedule "A")

Community Access Level:
Unfit as currently defined

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:
Accused remains unfit to stand trial

THIS IS THEREFORE TO COMMAND YOU, the Administrator of the East Coast Forensic Psychiatric Hospital, in His Majesty's name, to execute terms of this Order.

DATED, this the 9th day of November 2026, at Dartmouth, Nova Scotia.

Raffi Balmanoukian, Chairperson
NOVA SCOTIA CRIMINAL CODE REVIEW BOARD

TO: **James MacLean**, Accused
AND TO: **Dorothy Edem, Director, Mental Health and Addictions Program, Nova Scotia Health Authority**

James MacLean
November 9, 2026

Schedule "A"

Conditions:

- ☐ Keep the peace and be of good behaviour;
- ☐ Maintain good mental health;
- ☐ Adhere to the recommendations of the Community Mental Health Team;
- ☐ Comply with follow-up by the Forensic Community Program;
- ☐ Comply with conditions recommended by the Forensic Community Program;
- ☐ Abstain from alcohol, cannabis and / or illicit drugs and comply with random urine drug screening;
- ☐ Reside in the premises approved by the East Coast Forensic Hospital and abide the rules and regulations of the residence;
- ☐ Notify the Review Board and the East Coast Forensic Hospital of any change of address;
- ☐ Appear before the board when requested;
- ☐ Remain within the Province of Nova Scotia unless authorization in writing has been received from the Board.

No indirect or direct contact with the victim(s) in this matter;

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- ☐ Other

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This Hearing is to be considered an Annual Hearing: ☑ Yes ☐ No

The Administrator of the Hospital may exercise his discretion upon such terms and conditions, as he deems appropriate.

Raffi Balmanoukian, Chairperson
Nova Scotia Criminal Code Review Board