IN THE MATTER OF the Nova Scotia Criminal Code Review Board

AND IN THE MATTER OF the accused, Patrick Paul Taylor

AND IN THE MATTER OF a hearing held pursuant to Section 672.81(1) and 672.82(1) (annual and discretionary hearing) of the Criminal Code of Canada.

## **DISPOSITION ORDER**

WHEREAS on the 26th day of August 2024, the accused was found Not Criminally Responsible on account of a mental disorder on charges of: Assault Causing Bodily Harm contrary to s.267(b); and on a charge of Assault with a Weapon contrary to s.267(a); and on a charge of Uttering Threats contrary to s. 264.1(1)(a); and on a charge of Mischief contrary to s. 430(4); and on a charge of Fail to Comply contrary to s. 145(4)(a); and on a charge of Attempt to Commit Murder contrary to s.239(b) of the Criminal Code of Canada.

WHEREAS on the 27 th day of November 2024, the accused was found Not Criminally Responsible on account of a mental disorder on charges of: Criminal Harassment contrary to s.264; and on a charge of Trespassing contrary to s.177; and on a charge of Repeated Telephone Calls contrary to s. 372(3) 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 15<sup>th</sup> of September, 2025, to make a Disposition Order pursuant to s.672.54 of the Criminal Code of Canada.

AND WHEREAS the East Coast Forensic 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;

## IT IS ORDERED THAT the accused be conditionally discharged, on the following terms:

- 1. Keep the peace and be of good behaviour;
- 2. Maintain good mental health;
- 3. Adhere to the recommendations of the Community Mental Health Team;
- 4. Comply with follow-up by the Forensic Community Program;
- 5. Comply with conditions recommended by the Forensic Community Program;
- 6. Abstain from alcohol, cannabis and/or illicit drugs and comply with random urine drug screening;
- 7. Reside in the premises approved by the East Coast Forensic Hospital and abide by the rules and regulations of the residence;
- 8. Notify the Review Board and the East Coast Forensic Hospital of any change of address;
- 9. Appear before the Board when requested;
- 10. Remain within the Province of Nova Scotia unless authorization in writing has been received from the Board.
- 11. No direct or indirect contact with the victims, Sharon Strefler and Chantelle Harker;
- 12. No possession of any firearm, crossbow, prohibited weapon, restricted weapon, prohibited devices, ammunition, or explosive substance within the meaning of the Criminal Code.

**AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that if the accused is arrested pursuant to section 672.91 of the Criminal Code for a breach or anticipated breach of the terms of this

disposition, they may, under section 672.92(1)(b) of the Criminal Code, be delivered to the East Coast Forensic Hospital, 88 Gloria McCluskey Avenue, Dartmouth, Nova Scotia.

It is further ordered that the restriction of liberties embodied in the hospital report dated September 5, 2025 was justified.

THIS IS THEREFORE TO COMMAND YOU, the Director, Mental Health Program, Nova Scotia Health Authority, in His Majesty's name, to execute the terms of this Order. The Board delegates to them the authority to increase or decrease the liberties of the accused pursuant to section 672.56(1).

**DATED** at Halifax, this 20 day of October, 2025.

Raffi Balmanoukian, Chairperson

NOVA SCOTIA REVIEW BOARD

TO:

the accused, Patrick Paul Taylor

AND TO:

Director, Mental Health Program, Nova Scotia Health Authority

AND TO:

Public Prosecution Service

AND TO:

Kelly Ryan, counsel for the accused