



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

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Dear Minister Moroz,

I am honoured that you have agreed to serve Manitobans as the Minister for Innovation and New Technology.

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 for Innovation and New Technology you will support Manitoba's strong tech sector and help new and existing businesses in this industry grow. You will foster innovation in the private and public sector to ensure the best customer experience for Manitobans while improving government services.

Your role will require you to engage with post-secondary institutions and young Manitobans who are looking for careers in new technology. As the Minister of this new department, you will be tasked with retaining more Manitoba talent, particularly amongst the younger generation who need to see a future for themselves and their work in our province. And you will work to attract startups to Manitoba with our culture of creativity, collaboration and cutting-edge research/technology.

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

- Help Manitoba businesses use new technology to boost competitiveness.
- Work with the Premier's Business and Jobs Council to support the development of AI in Manitoba while protecting Manitoba jobs and the privacy of all citizens.
- Create a task force to solicit expert advice on how new technology can build Manitoba's future economy with a specific focus on how Manitoba can gain a competitive advantage through the development and ownership of Intellectual Property.

- Work with the Minister of Health to modernize data sharing and wait list management to reduce wait times and improve outcomes for patients.

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

- Improve government services by modernizing the government of Manitoba's Digital and Technological Solutions.
- Empower the public service to employ new technology to better serve Manitobans, making use of the resources and roadmaps already developed by other jurisdictions.
- Work with the Ministers for Business, Mining, Trade and Job Creation, Advanced Education and Training and Natural Resources and Indigenous Futures to create more opportunities for work-integrated learning.
- Improve digital literacy and cyber security for Manitobans and the Manitoba government.
- Work with the Federal government to improve broadband and cellphone networks throughout Manitoba.

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.

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