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Premier François Legault, centre, at Monday's press conference flanked by Quebec public health director Dr. Horacio Arruda and Health Minister Christian Dubé.

Legault imposes 'Red Zone' restrictions on Montreal, Laval, South Shore

By Joel Goldenberg
The Suburban

Claiming the COVID-19 situation is "critical" because of increased positive cases in recent days, Quebec Premier François Legault declared a Red Alert and new restrictions for Montreal, Laval, and the South Shore, as well as Quebec City, from at least Oct. 1 to Oct. 28.

"If nothing changes, in the next few weeks we can expect an increase in deaths

and a sharp increase in hospitalizations," the Premier contended at a press conference Monday afternoon. "This might overwhelm our hospitals and force us to postpone surgeries and other urgent treatments."

The new restrictions include:

- No visits to one's home from people living at another address. A "single visitor from another address for single individuals" is allowed, as are "informal caregivers, individuals offering services

or support and labour for planned work."

- At CHSLDs and private seniors residence, there can be "visits for humanitarian purposes, visits by informal caregivers — one person at a time and a maximum of two people per day in CHSLDs."

- Private gatherings are prohibited.
- Activities organized in a public place are prohibited, "except for places

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GOVERNMENT REPORT: CHSLD Herron displayed organizational negligence

By Kevin Woodhouse
The Suburban

A provincial commissioned report on the CHSLD Herron's outbreak of coronavirus last spring that resulted in 38 deaths of senior citizens has been released. The report, written by Sylvain Gagnon, noted that one of the main reasons for the deaths and subsequent abandonment by staff was "organizational negligence." There were 38 deaths confirmed during the early spring between March 26th and April 16th.

The report noted that when the West Island Regional Health Board (CIUSSS) officials arrived to inspect the premises of the Dorval based senior's residence, there were only three employees present to handle more than 120 residents. Many residents were found to "soiled, because

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