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Baker Lake by-election postponed

IQALUIT, Nunavut (March 23, 2020) – The by-election for the constituency of Baker Lake will be postponed until August 24, 2020 in light of the COVID-19 situation.

"It is vital we practice social distancing and stay home as much as possible to reduce the potential spread of COVID-19 in our communities," said Premier Savikataaq. "After receiving a request from the municipality of Baker Lake, our cabinet is fully supportive of postponing their by-election. The people of Baker Lake are doing what's best to keep their community safe."

The Commissioner of Nunavut was set to issue a formal proclamation for the writ of election, as required by section 38 of the Nunavut Elections Act on March 23, 2020. The writ will now be issued on July 20, 2020.

Detailed information for potential candidates will be made available by Elections Nunavut later this summer.

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