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# Winnipeg turned blue for cystic fibrosis



**Sarah Guillemard**  
FORT RICHMOND MLA  
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May was Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month and on May 15, the Winnipeg sign at The Forks was coloured blue to highlight this.

Fort Richmond resident Jackie Snarr's grandson, Jack, lives with cystic fibrosis and Jackie and her whole family are highly supportive of increasing awareness of cystic fibrosis and the new life-changing treatments that have been developed for Manitobans living with the condition.

Please visit [www.cysticfibrosis.ca](http://www.cysticfibrosis.ca) to learn more about how to get involved.

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June is a month of promise and hope, with warmer weather and the suggestion of summer. This month, despite our many challenges, we celebrate, too.

Happy Father's Day to the many families celebrating on June 20, although it will again be a different experience.

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We also celebrate all the graduating students from high schools and universities across the province.

Who thought you would again be dealing with COVID? Despite this, I honour your hard work to achieve this milestone.

I wish you all success as you take the next



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Jackie and Dennis Snarr are Fort Richmond residents dedicated to raising awareness of cystic fibrosis because their grandson, Jack, lives with it.

steps in life. Congratulations, too, to graduates who will be notified shortly of their MLA for Fort Richmond bursary awards.

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Jhannelle Francis, a Fort Richmond resident, was recently honoured as one of 12 finalists (after three heats) in the University of Manitoba's Three-Minute Thesis competition (3MT), an annual event for graduate students in thesis-based programs. Jhannelle is a master of science candidate in microbiology and has just completed her first year of graduate school at the U of M.

The 3MT competition is part of an overall strategy to highlight graduate students, promote U of M research, and connect with the community and I was pleased to acknowl-

edge Jhannelle's efforts with a member's statement in the Legislature on May 27.

Her presentation was on the "Identification of human enteric viruses present in urban waterbodies of Manitoba." This proposed research project could help make Manitoba's water treatment practices more robust and effective, including water sources for many First Nations communities.

Jhannelle is planning on graduating in fall, 2022, and intends to continue her studies at the doctorate level in microbial ecology.

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I love to hear from you. Although my office is closed to the public for now, please feel free to reach out by calling 204-221-8881 or emailing [contact@sarahguillemard.com](mailto:contact@sarahguillemard.com)

# We'll get through this together



**Jim Carr**  
WINNIPEG SOUTH  
CENTRE MP  
CONSTITUENCY  
REPORT

The warm Manitoba summer weather has well and truly settled in now as we are at the start of June.

Many of us will have taken the opportunity to spend time planning our garden beds or container gardens and putting the first flash of brightly coloured flowers in place. For some of us it has been a source of solace during a very challenging time in the fight against COVID-19. Our province has been hit hard during a time when our communities have spent more than a year struggling in

ways most of us will have never experienced or even imagined.

The Government of Canada is committed to doing what it takes to get Manitoba through this devastating third wave of the pandemic. It is an objective we share with the Government of Manitoba. We are their partners in the fight to protect the health of all Canadians and to bring an end to the devastating social and economic consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Two weeks ago, the Government of Canada responded to a request for assistance from Manitoba and provided several different supports to the province. We have deployed epidemiologists and laboratory technicians to help increase testing capacity. Statistics Canada has provided an additional 50 interviewers to help Manitoba with

contact tracing. The Canadian Armed Forces will continue their work to support vaccine rollout in up to 23 on-reserve First Nations communities in Manitoba throughout the month of June.

We will get through this together and your continued efforts to follow local public health advice and regulations and to get vaccinated as soon as you are eligible are a crucial part of this collective effort.

In keeping with public health recommendations, my constituency staff are working remotely and are available to answer your emails at [jim.carr@parl.gc.ca](mailto:jim.carr@parl.gc.ca) or to return your phone calls at 204-983-1355. You can also visit my website [jimcarr.libparl.ca](http://jimcarr.libparl.ca)

Please take care of yourselves and your loved ones and let's get through this difficult time safely and in good health.