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Tyler Plett nominated Manager of Team Canada Ice Hockey

His experience in Ice Hockey will be a great asset to CDSA

Montreal, January 2nd, 2025 —The Canadian Deaf Sports Association (CDSA) is happy to announce the nomination of Tyler Plett as the new Manager of the Canadian Hockey Team. Residing in Winnipeg in Manitoba, Mr. Plett was selected by the Executive Director and a selection committee following a thorough selection process.

Mr. Plett will be responsible for managing the national ice hockey teams in preparation for the 2025 World Deaf Hockey Championships in Vancouver, British Columbia, and the 2027 Winter Deaflympics in Austria.

Mr. Plett, 41, has been passionate about ice hockey for many years, gaining experience as an athlete, coach and manager. His career path in ice hockey is impressive, as demonstrated by his track record:

- ✓ 21 years' experience with the national ice hockey team as a player;
- ✓ Director of goalie development since 2022 at local level;
- ✓ Hockey Manitoba National Coaching Certification Program Level 1 (2015) and Level 2 (2021);
- ✓ Respect in Sport Leadership Certificate (2015); and
- ✓ General Manager for the Western Regional Team (2008 - 2014).

“ The new ice hockey team manager is keen to deepen and explore the communication strategies needed to facilitate relations between all the groups involved in a national team. For the CDSA, Mr. Plett represents the new generation of leaders and is a major asset for the association.” said the CDSA Executive Director, Alain Turpin.

Mr. Plett has already begun his recruitment work and selected his coaching staff, with the approval of the CDSA. They are Michael Merriman, Gérard McDonald and Ryan Chramtchenko, who will lead the men's national ice hockey team.

About CDSA: The CDSA is a non-profit organization dedicated to the development of high-performance Deaf and hard of hearing athletes. Through direct financial support, the CDSA helps athletes participate in international sport events sanctioned by the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf and the Pan American Sports Committee for the Deaf.

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