



## **Supplementary Figure 9. Schematic depicting chimeric M Segment RNAs**

(A) Pandemic H1N1 influenza virus M1 and M2 proteins differ from the avian consensus sequences by 9 residues in M1 and 7 residues in M2. The pH1N1 amino acid identities are indicated in blue at their approximate positions within linear representations of M1 and M2 proteins. The pH1N1 M segment differs from the avian consensus by 8.3% at the nucleotide level. Here, pH1N1 RNA sequence is indicated by blue coloring. (B-D) Chimeric human-avian M segments were constructed in which only the nonsynonymous changes in the avian consensus were introduced into the A/NL/602/09 (H1N1) M segment. (E) Avian consensus M1 and M2 proteins differ from the NL/09 sequences by 9 residues in M1 and 7 residues in M2. The avian amino acid identities are indicated in red and avian RNA sequence is indicated by red coloring. (F-H) A second set of chimeric M segments was constructed in which the NL/09 amino acid identities were introduced into the M segment of A/duck/Alberta/76 (H1N1) virus, yielding segments that encode avian consensus protein(s) but retain much of the nucleotide sequence of the NL/09 M segment.