

**Anishinabek Nation Grand Council
Fort William First Nation
June 8, 9, 10, 2010**

Resolution No. 2010/04

SUBJECT: Anishinabek Nation E-Dbendaagzijig Naaknigewin - Implementation Plan and Community Awareness Initiative – Commissioner's Report and Recommendations

WHEREAS by Anishinabek Resolution 2009/05 the Anishinabek Nation Chiefs in Assembly accepted the Final Report of the Anishinabek Nation Citizenship Commissioner; and

WHEREAS a draft Anishinabek Nation E-Dbendaagzijig Naaknigewin has been prepared and presented by the Anishinabek Nation Citizenship Commissioner and the Legal Counsel of the Union of Ontario Indians (UOI); and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Nation Chiefs in Assembly accepted the recommendations of the Anishinabek Nation Citizenship Commissioner and the Anishinaabe Anokiwin Ananokiltooijg/Chiefs Committee on Governance that an implementation plan be developed and a community awareness campaign be carried out in the communities to garner support for the draft E-Dbendaagzijig Naaknigewin; and

WHEREAS the Citizenship Commissioner developed and presented a E-Dbendaagzijig Naaknigewin Implementation Plan, which included a Cost-Benefit Study, Leadership Training, and a Communications Plan and Tool Kit to support the community awareness campaign; and

WHEREAS by Anishinabek Resolution 2009/21 the Anishinabek Nation Chiefs in Assembly accepted the E-Dbendaagzijig Naaknigewin Implementation Plan and directed the Grand Council Chief to secure the resources required to support the Implementation Plan and to report to the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly in June 2010 on:

1. the results of the Cost-Benefit Study;
2. the details of the required Leadership Training; and
3. the final draft Communications Plan and Tool Kit to support the community awareness campaign; and

WHEREAS in the last fiscal year the UOI was not able to access funds to support the E-Dbendaagzijig Naaknigewin Implementation Plan; and

WHEREAS the Commissioner on Citizenship has reported to the June 2010 Anishinabek Nation Grand Council Assembly on activities and efforts to advance the Anishinabek Nation E-Dbendaagzijig Naaknigewin initiative.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Nation Chiefs in Assembly accept the report of the Commissioner on Citizenship; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly accept the Commissioner's recommendations to extend the deadline for completing the Cost-Benefit Study to this fiscal year and to integrate as far as possible, the Anishinabek Nation E-Dbendaagzijig Naaknigewin community awareness campaign, including the leadership training and the communications plan and tool kit, into Phase 2 of the Community Engagement Strategy, to be implemented this fiscal year by the Restoration of Jurisdiction department.

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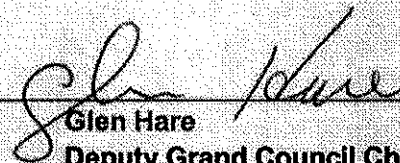
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