

**Union of Ontario Indians
Annual Meeting of Members
Alderville First Nation
June 27 & 28, 2007**

Resolution No. 2007/01

Subject: Audited Financial Statements 2006/2007

WHEREAS the Treasury Board has reviewed and recommended for approval, the March 31, 2007 audited financial statements for the Union of Ontario Indians; and

WHEREAS the Union of Ontario Indians Board of Directors has approved the recommendation of the Treasury Board and presented the audited financial statements to the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly do hereby approve the audited financial statements of the Union of Ontario Indians as of March 31st, 2007 as presented.

Moved By:	Chief Patrick Madahbee, Aundeck Omni Kaning
Seconded By:	Chief Chris Plain, Aamjiwnaang First Nation
Status:	Passed by Consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None


John Beaucage
Grand Council Chief


Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief

Union of Ontario Indians
Annual Meeting of Members
Alderville First Nation
June 27& 28, 2007

Resolution No. 2007/02

Subject: Audit Services

WHEREAS the Treasury Board for the Union of Ontario Indians has recommended the firm of KPMG for the provision of audit services for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2008.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly do hereby approve that the services of the firm of KPMG be secured to prepare audited financial statements for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2008 of the Union of Ontario Indians.

Moved By:	Chief Marianne Couchie, Nipissing First Nation
Seconded By:	Chief Tom Bressette, Chippewas of Kettle & Stony Point
Status:	Passed by Consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None



John Beaucage
Grand Council Chief



Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief

**Anishinabek Nation Management Group Inc.
Annual Meeting of Members
Alderville First Nation
June 27 & 28, 2007**

Resolution No. 2007/01

Subject: Audited Financial Statements 2006/2007

WHEREAS the Treasury Board has reviewed and recommended for approval the March 31, 2007 audited financial statements for the Anishinabek Nation Management Group Inc.; and

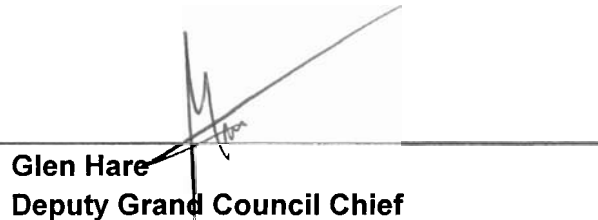
WHEREAS the Anishinabek Nation Management Group Inc. Board of Directors has approved the recommendation of the Treasury Board and presented the audited financial statements to the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly do hereby approve the audited financial statements of the Anishinabek Nation Management Group Inc. as of March 31st, 2007 as presented.

Moved By:	Chief Tom Bressette, Chippewas of Kettle & Stony Point
Seconded By:	Chief Shining Turtle, Whitefish River First Nation
Status:	Passed by Consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None


John Beaucage
Grand Council Chief


Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief

Anishinabek Nation Management Group Inc.
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June 27 & 28, 2007

Resolution No. 2007/02

Subject: Audit Services

WHEREAS the Treasury Board for the Anishinabek Nation Management Group Inc. has recommended the firm of KPMG for the provision of audit services for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2008.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly do hereby approve that the services of the firm of KPMG be secured to prepare audited financial statements for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2008 of the Anishinabek Nation Management Group Inc.

Moved By:	Chief Patrick Madahbee, Aundeck Omni Kaning
Seconded By:	Chief Jim-Bob Marsden, Alderville First Nation
Status:	Passed by Consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None



John Beaucage
Grand Council Chief



Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief

**Anishinabek Nation Seventh Generation Charities
Annual Meeting of Members
Alderville First Nation
June 27 & 28, 2007**

Resolution No. 2007/01

Subject: Audited Financial Statements 2006/2007

WHEREAS the Treasury Board has reviewed and recommended for approval, the March 31, 2007 audited financial statements for the Anishinabek Nation Seventh Generation Charities, and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Nation Seventh Generation Charities Board of Directors has approved the recommendation of the Treasury Board and presented the audited financial statements to the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly do hereby approve the audited financial statements of the Anishinabek Nation Seventh Generation Charities as of March 31st, 2007 as presented.

Moved By:	Chief Tom Bressette, Chippewas of Kettle & Stony Point
Seconded By:	Chief Shining Turtle, Whitefish River First Nation
Status:	Passed by Consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None



John Beaucage
Grand Council Chief



Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief

**Anishinabek Nation Seventh Generation Charities
Annual Meeting of Members
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Resolution No. 2007/02

Subject: Audit Services

WHEREAS the Treasury Board for the Anishinabek Nation Seventh Generation Charities has recommended the firm of KPMG for the provision of audit services for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2008.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly do hereby approve that the services of the firm of KPMG be secured to prepare audited financial statements for a period of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2008 of the Anishinabek Nation Seventh Generation Charities.

Moved By:	Chief Ted Roque, Wahnapiatae First Nation
Seconded By:	Chief Marianna Couchie, Nipissing First Nation
Status:	Passed by Consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None



John Beaucage
Grand Council Chief



Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief

Subject: Acceptance and Implementation of Chiefs Committee on Governance 2007 Report

WHEREAS by Resolution 05/09 the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly directed the Union of Ontario Indians to develop a strategy to expand current negotiations to include all comprehensive sectoral areas; and

WHEREAS the Anishinaabe Anokiiwin Aanokiitoojig/Chiefs Committee on Governance have lead the process of completing the background work associated with one aspect of the implementation of this resolution; and

WHEREAS in support of fulfilling Resolution 05/09 the Chiefs Committee on Governance has developed a report entitled "Anishinaabe Anokiiwin Aanokiitoojig/Chiefs Committee on Governance 2007 Report"; and

WHEREAS the "Anishinaabe Anokiiwin Aanokiitoojig/Chiefs Committee on Governance 2007 Report" identifies four key pillars for First Nation and Anishinabek Nation development, including Governance, Membership/Citizenship, Economic and Community Development and Communications; and


WHEREAS the next step required in this process is the development of an implementation plan in support of this report and its recommendations.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly accept the "Anishinaabe Anokiiwin Aanokiitoojig/Chiefs Committee on Governance 2007 Report" as it is presented; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly direct the Union of Ontario Indians to develop an implementation plan in support of the recommendations within the "Anishinaabe Anokiiwin Aanokiitoojig/Chiefs Committee on Governance 2007 Report" and that the implementation plan be presented to the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly in the fall of 2007.

Moved By:	Chief Dan Couchie, Ojibways of Pic River
Seconded By:	Chief Denise Restoule, Dokis First Nation
Status:	Passed by Consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None


John Beaucage
Grand Council Chief


Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief

Subject: Development of Position for Ratification of Self-Government Agreements

WHEREAS by Resolution 95/25 the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly directed the Union of Ontario Indians to enter into self-government negotiations with the federal government in all areas including, among others, governance, education, lands, resources, justice and social services; and

WHEREAS the Union of Ontario Indians have been involved in Governance and Education negotiations under the federal Inherent Right Policy since 1996, recognizing that twenty-eight First Nations have already approved the Agreement in Principle with respect to Education and twenty seven First Nations have approved the Agreement in Principle with respect to Governance, with more communities considering whether to enter into these agreements; and

WHEREAS the Education and Governance Self-government Final Agreements require ratification by each individual First Nation before they become effective in law; and

WHEREAS the current federal policy requirements for ratification of First Nation self-government agreements has produced unsuccessful results in numerous First Nations across Canada based on the fact that the approval threshold required by the federal government is significantly higher than similar processes implemented in other segments of Canada; and

WHEREAS the federal government has no legislated formula for approval thresholds in ratification processes for self-government agreements.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly direct the Union of Ontario Indians to research current ratification and referendum processes within First Nation, provincial and federal governments within Canada and the United States and develop a ratification position for the self-government agreements to be presented to the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly in the fall of 2007.

Moved By:	Chief Wilfred King, Kiashke Zaaging Anishinaabek
Seconded By:	Chief Patrick Madahbee, Aundeck Omni Kaning
Status:	Passed by Consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None


John Beaucage
Grand Council Chief


Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief

**Anishinabek Nation Grand Council Assembly
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Resolution No. 2007/03

Subject: Anishinabek Nation Citizenship Law

WHEREAS Anishinabek First Nations have dealt with citizenship and other related issues since time immemorial; and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly recognize jurisdiction over citizenship being an essential function of First Nation governments; and

WHEREAS Anishinabek First Nation jurisdiction regarding citizenship is a practice, custom, and tradition integral to our distinctive culture and as such it is an Aboriginal right; and

WHEREAS the United Nations International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights guarantees that all peoples have the right of self-determination. By virtue of that right they freely determine their political status and freely pursue their economic, social and cultural development; and


WHEREAS the determination of Indian status and membership arbitrarily set out in the Indian Act is contrary to the United Nations International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights of which Canada is a signatory to.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Chiefs in Assembly reject the Government of Canada's unilateral definition and control over the definition of "status Indian" and assert that our Aboriginal rights include jurisdiction of Anishinabek Nation citizenship, which rests solely with the Anishinabek Nation; and

FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly direct the Grand Council Chief to secure resources and prepare a draft citizenship law that could be used by member First Nations to determine their own citizenship in accordance with historical practice and in accordance with the rights guaranteed by the United Nations International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights.

Moved By:	Chief James Robert Marsden, Alderville First Nation
Seconded By:	Chief Keith Knott, Curve Lake First Nation
Status:	Passed by Consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None


John Beaucage
Grand Council Chief


Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief

Subject: Dissolution of the Anishinabek Health Commission

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Health Commission is not meeting the health needs of the Anishinabek people and accomplishing the objectives for which it was designed; and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly have made attempts to restructure the Anishinabek Health Commission; and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Chiefs Committee on Health have put forward efforts to support the Anishinabek Health Commission with no success.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly hereby dissolve the Anishinabek Health Commission immediately and direct that it be re-organized and re-mandated as an Anishinabek Advisory Council on Health.

Moved By:	Chief Shining Turtle, Whitefish River First Nation
Seconded By:	Chief Ted Roque, Wahnapiatae First Nation
Status:	Carried by Consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None



John Beaucage
Grand Council Chief



Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief

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Resolution No. 2007/05

Subject: Aboriginal Healing and Wellness Strategy Renewal

WHEREAS the Aboriginal Healing & Wellness Strategy (AHWS) Phase III Implementation Agreement sunsets on March 31, 2009 and a renewal process is underway for Phase IV, which will be in effect on April 1, 2009; and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly fully support the vision of AHWS to foster improvements in the health and well-being of First Nations and other aboriginal individuals, families, communities and Nations, by addressing the limitations of existing services and programmes, and identifying, designing, and implementing culturally appropriate solutions; and

WHEREAS the Phase III Implementation Agreement, a consolidated agreement governed by a single entity, the Joint Management Committee (JMC), represents a pan-aboriginal approach to management and impedes effective delivery of services to First Nations citizens; and

WHEREAS Chiefs of Ontario Resolution 05/30 and Assembly of First Nations Resolution 04/104 have consistently denounced the pan-aboriginal approach and, furthermore, Chiefs of Ontario Resolution 06/16 demanded the establishment of a *First Nation/Ontario Health Accord*; and

WHEREAS it is necessary to safeguard our inherent and treaty rights, and ensure the federal and provincial governments' fiduciary obligations to provide health services to First Nations, and to ensure that they fulfill their duties to consult and accommodate First Nations; and

WHEREAS the third AHWS Implementation Agreement is currently being reviewed and evaluated, with the fourth phase of relationships currently in negotiation.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Chiefs in Assembly, hereby demand that the Government of Ontario through the Ministries that are signatories to the AHWS implementation agreements, respect First Nations' constitutionally recognized inherent and treaty rights through the formal establishment of a separate First Nations table, and a First Nations specific governing body to replace the homogeneous approach represented by the JMC structure; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly, hereby mandate the Ontario Regional Chief and the Political Confederacy to explore the establishment of a First Nations AHWS governing entity within the current AHWS structure, to be explored in the First Nations/Ontario Health Accord, that will govern Phase IV for First Nations on a Government-to-Government basis; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Phase IV Implementation Agreement should encompass separate agreements for First Nations; and

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Resolution No. 2007/05

Subject: Aboriginal Healing and Wellness Strategy Renewal

FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED that the Ontario Regional Chief and the Ontario Chiefs Committee on Health shall report back to the next duly scheduled All Ontario Chiefs Conference, with the results of AHWS renewal discussions and an update on the goal of ratifying a separate process of renewal for First Nations.

Moved By:	Chief Kelly Riley, Chippewas of the Thames
Seconded By:	Chief Thomas Bressette, Chippewas of Kettle & Stony Point
Status:	Carried by Consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None



John Beaucage
Grand Council Chief



Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief

Subject: Call to Action on Prescription Drug Mis-Use/Abuse

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Nation acknowledges that responsibility for health care of First Nation members both home and away rests within First Nations; and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly further acknowledge that health priorities need to be in the forefront of our efforts, and

WHEREAS Ontario Chiefs in Assembly (COO) passed a resolution in July 2004 calling for the necessary support and funding to address prevention, promotion and treatment efforts both at the community level and with those governing bodies in a position to influence behaviours of those practitioners licensed to prescribe or dispense medication and treatment regimes; and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly acknowledge the growing epidemic of illicit/prescription drug mis-use and abuse facing First Nation people in First Nation communities and in urban centres; and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Nation recognizes the urgency in addressing the pervasive and debilitating effects of illicit/prescription drug mis-use and abuse; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly will work in concert with Non-Insured Health Benefits and the appropriate regulatory bodies in an effort to promote responsible dispensing practices; and

THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Grand Council Chief and the Anishinabek Chiefs Committee on Health will work in concert with the above aforementioned regulatory bodies to identify strategies to comprehensively address this issue.

Moved By:	Chief Isadore Day, Serpent River First Nation
Seconded By:	Chief Shining Turtle, Whitefish River First Nation
Status:	Passed by Consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None



John Beaucage
Grand Council Chief



Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief

Subject: Local Health Integration Network

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has overall responsibility for delivering health care services in Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has downloaded this responsibility to Local Health Integration Networks; and

WHEREAS the legislation for the formation of the Local Health Integration Network has been passed by the Ontario legislature; and

WHEREAS the establishment of Local Health Integration Networks has the potential to negatively impact health care services at the First Nation level; and

WHEREAS First Nations must have meaningful representation at all levels of the process and within the established governing structures; and

WHEREAS the province of Ontario is finalizing the regulations of the legislation guiding the Local Health Integration Network and the working relationship with the Ministry of Health & Long Term Care; and

WHEREAS the Chiefs of Ontario Local Health Integration Network Task Force has made recommendations for the Aboriginal Health Council that will provide strategic advice to the Ministry of Health & Long Term Care; and

WHEREAS the Local Health Integration Networks have signed their accountability agreements with the Ministry of Health & Long Term Care effective for April 1, 2007

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly recommend that the Anishinabek Chiefs Committee on Health develop a lobby strategy immediately to lobby the Minister of Health & Long Term Care and the members of the provincial Health Committee to ensure that the Aboriginal Health Council is fast tracked and that strategic discussions begin immediately; and

THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly recommend that the Anishinabek Chiefs Committee on Health ensure our own Anishinabek representation on the Aboriginal Health Council and that we have our own strategic plan for the Anishinabek to be presented at the next Assembly.

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Resolution No. 2007/07

Subject: Local Health Integration Network

Moved By:	Chief Isadore Day, Serpent River First Nation
Seconded By:	Chief Kelly Riley, Chippwas of the Thames
Status:	Passed by Consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None

 _____ John Beaucage Grand Council Chief	 _____ Glen Hare Deputy Grand Council Chief
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Subject: Anishinabek Youth Strategy

WHEREAS children are gifts from the Creator and represent the future; and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek have the responsibility to ensure that the rights, well-being and interests of our children are protected and integrated in all aspects of the affairs of the Anishinabek; and

WHEREAS today, at this Anishinabek Nation Grand Council Assembly, the Anishinabek has undertaken a historic first-step by ensuring that the Anishinabek Nation Youth are invited and encouraged to participate in our Anishinabek Nation Grand Council Assemblies; and

WHEREAS we, the Chiefs in Assembly, have heard the eloquent words of our Anishinabek Nation Youth who have shared with great passion and commitment their struggles, successes, and aspirations as Anishinabek; and

WHEREAS we, the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly commend the Anishinabek Nation Youth for sharing their words with us, so that their recommendations will be central to our actions and decisions in bettering the lives of the Anishinabek.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly, recommend that the Grand Council Chief meet with the Anishinabek Nation Youth to discuss specific issues that can be included in a joint work-plan to be action upon and include communicative aspects; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we, the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly, direct the establishment of four regional seats for Anishinabek youth which shall include voting rights in our Anishinabek Nation Grand Council Assemblies; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we, the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly, recommend that the Grand Council Chief establish an urban seat on the Anishinabek Youth Council; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we, the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly, recommend that the Grand Council Chief initiate a Youth Development Coordinator at the Union of Ontario Indians to implement youth programs such as cultural camps, gatherings, pow wows, workshops, etc...; and

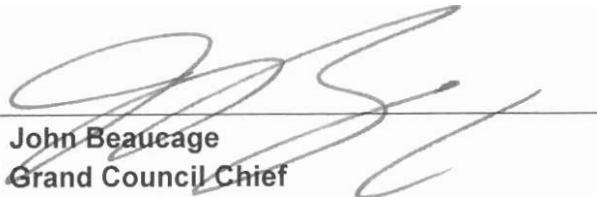
THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we, the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly direct that the Grand Council Chief issue a policy statement stating how the Anishinabek will act to immediately incorporate and implement the direction received from the Anishinabek Nation Youth into the Anishinabek Nation and Union of Ontario Indians decision-making processes; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we, the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly, direct the Grand Council Chief to lobby the Governments of Canada and Ontario to secure funding to develop a comprehensive Anishinabek Youth Strategy that shall include language, culture, recreation, economic, social, political, environment and an Anishinabek Nation Youth Summit in which senior level officials from the Anishinabek, Governments of Canada and Ontario are invited to attend and meet with our Anishinabek Nation Youth; and

THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that we, the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly, direct the Grand Council Chief to establish a trust fund with a contribution of \$150, 000 and to be further supplemented by Anishinabek Nation fund raising initiatives. This trust fund is to be managed by youth trustees.

Moved By:	Chief Shining Turtle, Whitefish River First Nation
Seconded By:	Chief Patrick Madahbee, Aundeck Omni Kaning
Status:	Passed by Consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None



John Beaucage
Grand Council Chief



Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief

Subject: Inter-Treaty Harvesting Agreements 2007/2008

WHEREAS the various tribes or nations of the Anishinabek Nation historically were self-supporting and independent and frequently travelled from one treaty territory to another to pursue among other things, hunting, fishing, gathering, trading and to marry; and

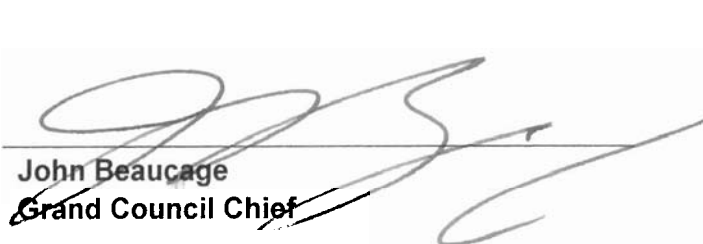
WHEREAS sharing in community harvests through kinship is in harmony with aboriginal people's custom of sharing harvests between First Nations and families; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Court of Appeal in the *Meshake* and *Shipman* cases recently affirmed the principles and customs of inter-treaty harvesting and sharing.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly direct the Grand Council Chief to strike a small working group to explore the framework for entering into treaties between treaty nations with a view to formalizing and facilitating inter-treaty travel to pursue among other things, hunting, fishing, gathering and trading, and to report on the progress of the working group at the 2007 Fall Assembly of the Anishinabek Nation.

Moved By:	Chief Wilfred N.King, Kiashke Zaaging Anishinaabek
Seconded By:	Chief Patrick Madahbee, Ojibways of Aundeck Omni Kaning
Status:	Passed by Consensus

In Favour:	
Opposed:	Chief Wilfred N. King proxy for Chief Robert Corbiere, Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve
Abstentions:	None


John Beaucage
Grand Council Chief


Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief

Subject: Acceptance of Union of Ontario Indians' Corporate Review Report

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly directed the Union of Ontario Indians through Resolution 2005/13 to conduct a review of the relationship between the three corporations; and

WHEREAS the Union of Ontario Indians, as set out in Resolution 2005/13, appointed a Commissioner to oversee the development of the corporate review; and


WHEREAS the final report from the Commissioner was presented to the Board of Directors on June 25, 2007 and accepted in principle.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly do hereby approve the corporate review as presented; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly direct the Union of Ontario Indians to develop an implementation plan and report to the Board of Directors on progress.

Moved By:	Chief Tom Bressette, Chippewas of Kettle & Stony Point
Seconded By:	Chief Shining Turtle, Whitefish River First Nation
Status:	Passed by Consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None



John Beaucage
Grand Council Chief



Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief

Subject: Intergovernmental Relations Process

WHEREAS the All Ontario Chiefs Conference mandated the Chiefs of Ontario to revitalize the intergovernmental process through resolution 22/01; and

WHEREAS the governments of Canada and Ontario confirmed their commitment to the development of a new relationship through a government-to-government process; and

WHEREAS the three parties agreed to initiate intergovernmental discussions through a facilitated process that resulted in the *Revitalizing First Nations-Canada-Ontario Intergovernmental Relations Report* (the "Report"); and

WHEREAS the Political Confederacy accepted the Report and recommendations at Kenora in February 2005; and

WHEREAS Canada, Ontario and the First Nations, represented by the members of the Ontario Political Confederacy, met on June 10, 2005, to confirm the commitment of Canada and Ontario to act on the recommendations of the Report and the draft two-year work plan developed by the Senior Officials Forum; and

WHEREAS the two-year work plan expired on June 10, 2007; following which an evaluation of the intergovernmental process was completed by a consultant which was presented at the 2007 Chiefs of Ontario Assembly; and

WHEREAS the evaluation of the intergovernmental process found that although the working relationships between the parties have improved, there has been no enhancement of intergovernmental relations and no substantial progress on any one particular intergovernmental issue over the two-year period in support of First Nation priorities; and

WHEREAS due in part to a majority of First Nations in Ontario considering themselves as 'observers' rather than full participants in the intergovernmental process, many First Nations in Ontario have advocated for their own Nation-specific intergovernmental affairs processes.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly, declare the mandate of the two-year work plan for intergovernmental process between Canada, Ontario and the First Nations to be completed and that no further action is necessary as currently structured; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we, the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly, strongly express our disappointment with the failure of the intergovernmental process with Canada and Ontario and do hereby withdraw from that intergovernmental process as currently structured; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we, the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly, direct the Grand Council Chief to advise the other parties in the intergovernmental process with Canada and Ontario that the Anishinabek Nation hereby withdraws from that process as currently structured; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that we, the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly, direct the Grand Council Chief to advocate for the development of an intergovernmental process that addresses the issues outlined in the evaluation and that is responsive to the priorities of Anishinabek First Nations.

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Resolution No. 2007/11

Subject: Intergovernmental Relations Process

Moved By:	Chief Patrick Madahbee, Aundeck Omni Kaning
Seconded By:	Chief Shining Turtle, Whitefish River First Nation
Status:	Passed by Consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None



John Beaucage
Grand Council Chief



Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief

Subject: Protection of Anishinabek Cultural Property

WHEREAS Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly passed Resolution No. 2006/24 at Sand Point First Nation calling for "Support for the Protection of Cultural Properties"; and

WHEREAS Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly have endorsed the development of an **Anishinabek Nation Economic Strategy** to create jobs and economies and eliminate poverty in our communities; and

WHEREAS Anishinabek Nation leaders are committed to ensuring the preservation of Anishinabek culture and traditions; and

WHEREAS Anishinabek artists and crafters rely on the talents given to them by the Creator to produce high-quality items that reflect their culture and traditions; and

WHEREAS Anishinabek artists, crafters, and vendors have expressed concerns about goods and merchandise produced by citizens of other Nations being increasingly more prevalent at Anishinabek Nation pow-wows, conferences, and other gatherings; and

WHEREAS Anishinabek artists, crafters, and vendors rely on the sale of their creations for their livelihood.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly support their Nation's culture and economy by suggesting to local pow-wow committees to consider to restrict permission to display and sell arts, crafts, and food to Anishinabek Nation citizens; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly direct the Grand Council Chief to develop a stamp/sticker to be exclusively provided to Anishinabek Nation artists, crafters and vendors to identify their creations as Anishinabek-authentic; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly direct the Grand Council Chief to develop a communications strategy to create awareness of a policy to protect and promote Anishinabek Nation cultural property.

Moved By:	Chief Dan Couchie, Ojibways of Pic River First Nation
Seconded By:	Chief Shining Turtle, Whitefish River First Nation
Status:	Passed by Consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None


John Beaucage
Grand Council Chief


Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief

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Resolution No. 2007/13

Subject: Language Institute

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Nation has been given Anishinaabemowin as the language of our people, which has been used since time immemorial as the language of our ceremonies, social and working life; and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Nation has a sacred duty to protect and proliferate Anishinaabemowin to ensure its survival into the seventh generation and beyond, forever; and

WHEREAS language is integral to the identity of the Anishinabek Nation and therefore must become a part of all aspects of our lives and culture and including in our school systems and within our government; and

WHEREAS the Youth Council of the Anishinabek Nation has clearly identified the revitalization of our language as a priority; and

WHEREAS it is the vision of the Anishinabek Nation to ensure that Anishinaabemowin will once again be the language of our social and working life; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly hereby direct the Union of Ontario Indians to seek the necessary resources to establish an Anishinabek Language Institute under the mandate of the Anishinabek Education Institute.

Moved By:	Chief Thomas Bressette, Chippewas of Kettle & Stony Point
Seconded By:	Chief Chris Plain, Aamjiwnaang First Nation
Status:	Passed by Consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None



John Beaucage
Grand Council Chief



Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief

Subject: Supporting Enendamowin and Traditional Education

WHEREAS Article 5 of the Political Manifesto states "we are committed to promoting and the development of Enendamowin, Anishinaabe thought and worldview, including the re-emergence of Anishinaabe philosophy and intellectual property. This includes the proliferation and protection of these concepts to, and for Anishinaabe."; and

WHEREAS Enendamowin includes the Anishinaabemowin language, traditional knowledge and sacred teachings; and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek people have been educated using our Anishinaabemowin language, traditional knowledge and sacred teachings since time immemorial; and

WHEREAS Anishinabek First Nations continue to learn and use our Anishinaabemowin language, traditional knowledge and sacred teachings; and

WHEREAS the Union of Ontario Indians have been negotiating a Final Agreement on Education with the federal government on behalf of the Anishinabek Nation to restore our jurisdiction over education; and

WHEREAS our Anishinaabemowin language, traditional knowledge and sacred teachings will be a major part of our new Anishinabek Educational System; and

WHEREAS the principles of Enendamowin and traditional education, more often than not, must be taught in the traditional lodges, societies and institutions of the Anishinabek; and

WHEREAS regular gatherings such as ceremonies, teaching lodges and the Three Fires Confederacy Gathering are instrumental in the proliferation of Enendamowin; and

WHEREAS there are some schools, organizations and institutions in our territory that penalize students and employees who attend these gatherings by deducting wages and accrual of absentee days.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Nation Chiefs in Assembly support the teachings of Enendamowin, Anishinaabemowin language, traditional knowledge and sacred teachings;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Nation Chiefs in Assembly hereby state that Enendamowin and principles of Anishinabek traditional education are as important as mainstream curriculum and professional development.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Nation Chiefs in Assembly support all Anishinabek citizens to attend gatherings such as ceremonies, teaching lodges and the Three Fires Confederacy Gathering without penalty.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Nation Chiefs in Assembly respect the autonomy of our First Nations and affiliated schools, organizations and institutions and respectfully encourage our respective personnel policies be amended to reflect these principles.


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Subject: Supporting Enendamowin and Traditional Education

Moved By:	Chief Art Petahtegoose, Whitefish Lake First Nation
Seconded By:	Chief Marianna Couchie, Nipissing First Nation
Status:	Passed by Consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None



John Beaucage
Grand Council Chief



Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief

Subject: Anishinabek Nation Law Respecting Matrimonial Real Property

WHEREAS Anishinabek First Nations have dealt with matrimonial real property and other family issues since time immemorial; and

WHEREAS Anishinabek First Nation jurisdiction in matrimonial real property and other family relations is a practice, custom, and tradition integral to our distinctive culture and as such it is an Aboriginal right; and

WHEREAS the consultations conducted by the Government of Canada are grossly inadequate and as a result of our Aboriginal rights, the issue of matrimonial real property requires accommodation of our concerns and positions; and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly have directed through Grand Council Resolution 2006/43 that the process outlined in "A First Anishinabek Nation Law" dated November 1, 2006 be implemented to facilitate the development of an Anishinabek Nation law on matrimonial real property; and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly have approved-in-principle the document entitled "Anishinabek Nation Matrimonial Real Property Law: Protecting our Families, Children and Communities Upon Marriage Breakdown and Protection of Land" as a framework law for facilitating the development of Anishinabek First Nation regulations respecting matrimonial real property subject to the amendments proposed during the March 23, 2007 Anishinabek Nation Special Assembly on Matrimonial Real Property.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Chiefs in Assembly approve the requested amendments made to the document "Anishinabek Nation Matrimonial Real Property Law: Protecting our Families, Children, Communities, and Land Upon Marriage Breakdown"; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we, the Chiefs in Assembly hereby approve the final ratification of the document "Anishinabek Nation Matrimonial Real Property Law: Protecting our Families, Children, Communities and Land Upon Marriage Breakdown"; and

THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that we, the Chiefs in Assembly, direct the Grand Council Chief to lobby the government to secure appropriate funding for the Anishinabek Nation to implement the "Anishinabek Nation Matrimonial Real Property Law: Protecting our Families, Children, Communities and Land Upon Marriage Breakdown" and to further develop the required regulations and structures to effectively administer this Law.

Moved By:	Chief Wilfred N.King, Kiashke Zaaging Anishinaabek
Seconded By:	Chief Leonard Genereux, Sheshegwaning First Nation
Status:	Passed by Consensus

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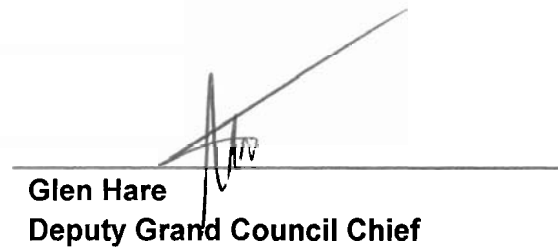
Resolution No. 2007/15

Subject: Anishinabek Nation Law Respecting Matrimonial Real Property

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None



John Beaucage
Grand Council Chief



Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief

Subject: Treaty Commission in Ontario

WHEREAS the Final Report of the Ipperwash Inquiry recommended the establishment of a Treaty Commission to assist in the resolution of land claims and treaty rights issues in Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Nation Chiefs in Assembly feel that it is imperative and essential that First Nations have a voice in the development of the Terms of References for the Treaty Commission and in the appointment of key representatives to this body; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly, instruct the Grand Council Chief to insist that members of the Anishinabek First Nations be integral parties in the development of the Terms of References and to serve as members in the Treaty Commission; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we, the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly, recommend that the Anishinabek Nation put forth the name of Joe Miskokomon to be a member on the drafting of the Terms of References for the Treaty Commission; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that we, the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly, further recommend that a list of highly qualified Anishinabek First Nation individuals be developed by the Anishinabek Nation for presentation and consideration of the Government of Ontario in its appointment to the Treaty Commission.

Moved By:	Chief Tom Bressette, Chippewas of Kettle & Stony Point
Seconded By:	Chief Kelly Riley, Chippewas of the Thames
Status:	Passed by Consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	Chief Wilfred N. King proxy for Chief Robert Corbiere, Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve


John Beaucage
Grand Council Chief


Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief

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Resolution No. 2007/17

Subject: Ontario First Nation Limited Partnership Representation

WHEREAS the Ontario First Nations Limited Partnership Agreement states that a person is to be nominated for the position of Director to represent the Union of Ontario Indians for a one-year period.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly appoint Leroy Dolson for a one year period from June 2007 to June 2008 to represent the Union of Ontario Indians on the Ontario First Nations Limited Partnership Board of Directors.

Moved By:	Chief Tom Bressette, Chippewas of Kettle & Stony Point
Seconded By:	Chief Patrick Madahbee, Aundeck Omni Kaning
Status:	Passed by consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None



John Beaucage
Grand Council Chief



Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief

Subject: Great Lakes Fisheries Commission Appointment

WHEREAS the International Joint Commission established by the governments of Canada and the United States of America has established a Great Lakes Fisheries Commission; and

WHEREAS the mandate of the Great Lakes Fisheries Commission should require that First Nation representatives be appointed to the position of Great Lakes Fisheries Commissioners to ensure that the rights and interests of First Nations are fully respected and incorporated into the Great Lakes Fisheries Commission.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Chiefs in Assembly, strongly support the appointment of First Nation representatives on the Great Lakes Fisheries Commission; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we, the Chiefs in Assembly, direct the Grand Council Chief to lobby the Government of Canada to ensure that at a minimum, one representative on the Great Lakes Fisheries Commission be from the Anishinabek Nation; and

THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that we, the Chiefs in Assembly, support recommending Chief Isadore Day to be appointed to the Great Lakes Fisheries Commission.

Moved By:	Chief Patrick Madahbee, Aundeck Omni Kaning
Seconded By:	Chief Shining Turtle, Whitefish River First Nation
Status:	Passed by Consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None



John Beaucage
Grand Council Chief



Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief

Subject: Anishinabek Economic Building Strategy

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Nation has the responsibility to ensure long-term revenue generation for the well-being, health, and prosperity of all of its' people; and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Nation has a history and obligation to further benefit and enter into partnerships which focus on resources, revenues, and properties, which are solidified in the treaties and other forms of agreements; and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek is mandated to build the economy for the benefit of all Anishinabek citizens.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly, endorse the Union of Ontario Indians exploring and engaging in opportunities that foster generating revenue and creating a financial base to support the building goals of the Anishinabek Nation; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we, the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly, instruct the Union of Ontario Indians to develop a work plan outlining initiatives, studies, and projects that the Union of Ontario Indians may explore and engage in for opportunities that foster generating revenue and creating a financial base to support the building goals of the Anishinabek Nation; and

THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that we, the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly, direct the Union of Ontario Indians to provide regular updates on the development and outcomes of this matter.

Moved By:	Chief Leonard Genereux, Sheshegwaning First Nation
Seconded By:	Chief Patrick Waddilove, Munsee-Delaware Nation
Status:	Passed by Consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None


John Beaucage
Grand Council Chief


Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief

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Resolution No. 2007/20

Subject: Restoring Anishinabek Authority in Child Welfare

WHEREAS the Anishinabek have demonstrated their strong intent on restoring jurisdiction for the development, determination and control by First Nations, in a number of key areas such as in the areas of governance, education and matrimonial real property; and

WHEREAS the care of Anishinabek children, being a central responsibility of First Nations, is the next critical area in which the Anishinabek must restore their jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly passed Resolution 2006/26 directing the establishment of a First Nations Child and Family Services Secretariat to begin developing First Nation child welfare laws and codes; and

WHEREAS Resolution 2006/26 further directed the Grand Council Chief to lobby and meet with the Minister responsible for the Ministry of Children and Youth Services to confirm and establish working relationship between the Anishinabek Nation and the provincial and federal governments with adequate financial resources being made available; and

WHEREAS the Ministry of Child and Youth Services has indicated that it will respect the *Constitutional* section 35 right of First Nations to be consulted and accommodated on matters pertaining to First Nations; and

WHEREAS the government of Ontario has recently created a Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs to develop a stronger, broader partnership with Ontario's Aboriginal People in response to Justice Linden's recommendations in the Ipperwash Inquiry Report; and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek recently advocated for the Government of Canada to demonstrate its commitment to restore Anishinabek jurisdiction in child welfare, to which the Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada has indicated his willingness to discuss this matter.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly direct the Grand Council Chief to establish a coordinated and resourced tripartite process in which the governments of Canada and Ontario work together to ensure the restoration of Anishinabek jurisdiction in child welfare through the creation of a First Nations Child and Family Services Secretariat and Child and Family Court; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we, the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly, demand that funding for these tripartite discussions, a component of which must include community consultations, be accessed through the New Relationship Fund recently created by the Government of Ontario to improve First Nation skills and resources to work more seamlessly with governments; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we, the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly, direct the Union of Ontario Indians to develop an action plan to restore Anishinabek jurisdiction in child welfare through the implementation of Resolution 2006/26 to create a First Nations Child and Family Services Secretariat; and

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Subject: Restoring Anishinabek Authority in Child Welfare

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Restoration of Anishinabek Jurisdiction in Child Welfare will proceed with similar intent and zeal as the recent MRP process that was successfully based on a grass roots driven desire; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that we, the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly, direct the Union of Ontario Indians to develop a framework for planning to establish an Anishinabek Law on Child Welfare.

Moved By:	Chief Art Petahtegoose, Whitefish Lake First Nation
Seconded By:	Chief Isadore Day, Serpent River First Nation
Status:	Passed by Consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None


John Beaucage
Grand Council Chief


Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief

Subject: Initiative on Band Representatives

WHEREAS the Anishinabek have the responsibility to ensure that the rights and interests of our children are protected when taken into custody, apprehended, placed in Crown wardship, or placed for adoption; and

WHEREAS this responsibility was formerly overseen on behalf of First Nations through the positions of Band Representatives; and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Nation has repeatedly advocated for the need for clear program policies, adequate funding, and capacity development for the positions of Band Representatives; and

WHEREAS in fulfillment of Resolution No. 2006/17, the Grand Council Chief has lobbied the governments of Canada and Ontario to restore the Band Representative positions with sufficient funding; and

WHEREAS the Grand Council Chief has been advised by the governments of Canada and Ontario that the responsibilities formerly conducted by the Band Representatives will now be revised and incorporated into a new process; and

WHEREAS the Ministry of Child and Youth Services has indicated that it will respect the *Constitutional* section 35 right of First Nations to be consulted and accommodated on matters pertaining to First Nation children; and

WHEREAS with the elimination of the Band Representative positions, many First Nations do not have the appropriate resources and capacity to respond to the Ministry of Child and Youth Services when matters concerning children are brought to their attention or when they are asked to respond to and participate in consultations.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly, endorse the Grand Council Chief to lobby the governments of Canada and Ontario to establish a trilateral process to develop a new approach and initiative which consists of adequate program policies, adequate funding, and capacity development of First Nations to respond to and protect the rights and interests of Anishinabek children when taken into custody, apprehended, placed in Crown wardship, placed for adoption, or requested to participate in consultations; and

THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that we, the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly, recommend that this trilateral process be formally incorporated into the First Nations Child and Family Services Secretariat, once established.

Subject: Initiative on Band Representatives

Moved By:	Chief Wilfred N.King, Kiashke Zaaging Anishinaabek
Seconded By:	Chief Shining Turtle, Whitefish River First Nation
Status:	Passed by Consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None



John Beaucage
Grand Council Chief



Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief

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Resolution No. 2007/22

Subject: Non-Insured Health Benefits for Health and Addiction Related Treatment

WHEREAS Anishinabek First Nations members suffer disproportionately from a broad range of health issues as compared to all other people in Canada; and

WHEREAS the First Nation Inuit Health Branch of Health Canada has continuously cut back on non-insured health benefits that are key to increasing the health of Anishinabek First Nation members and improving the disproportionate statistics; and

WHEREAS the First Nation Inuit Health Branch of Health Canada will discontinue non-insured health medical transportation benefits for methadone treatment as of June 30th, 2007.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly direct the Anishinabek Grand Council Chief and the Anishinabek Chiefs Committee on Health to lobby the First Nation Inuit Health Branch of Health Canada for reinstatement of non-insured health medical transportation benefits for all health and addiction related treatment.

Moved By:	Chief James Robert Marsden, Alderville First Nation
Seconded By:	Chief Shining Turtle, Whitefish River First Nation
Status:	Passed by Consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None


John Beaucage
Grand Council Chief


Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief