Resolution No. 2008/01

Anishinabek Nation Management Group Inc. Meeting of Members Toronto, Ontario November 18, 2008

SUBJECT: Audited Financial Statements 2007/2008

WHEREAS the Treasury Board has reviewed and recommended for approval the March 31, 2008 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, 2008 as presented.

Moved By:	Chief Shining Turtle, Sturgeon Clan, Whitefish River First Nation	
Seconded By:	Chief Chris Plain – Aamjiwnaang First Nation	
Status:	Passed by Consensus	

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None

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Resolution No. 2008/02

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, 2009.

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, 2009 of the Anishinabek Nation Management Group Inc.

Moved By:	Chief Patrick Madahbee – Aundeck Omni Kaning	
Seconded By:	Nelson Toulouse, Proxy – Sagamok Anishnawbek	
Status:	Passed by Consensus	

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None

John Beaucage *k* 7 Glèr Hare Grand Council Chief Deputy Grand Council Chief

SUBJECT: Appeals and Redress

WHEREAS the First Nations of the Anishinabek Nation have an Aboriginal right to establish and maintain their own processes to resolve disputes that arise within their communities and territories; and

WHEREAS appeals and redress workshops involving Anishinabek community members conducted in 2003-2005 by the direction of the Anishinabek Nation Chiefs and the Union of Ontario Indians found that the First Nations of the Anishinabek Nation strongly supported resolving internal disputes within their First Nations through dispute resolution processes that are designed by and for their First Nations; and

WHEREAS based on the direction received from these workshops, four Regional Appeals & Redress Development Committees were developed, community members from each region worked collectively in 2005-2007 to design their Anishinabek Tribunal and Commission and the four Regional Appeals Commissions and their Policies; and

WHEREAS these Regional Policies have been developed to strengthen and empower the Anishinabek Nation as a whole and to respect the traditions and practices of the particular First Nations; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly recognize the establishment of the Anishinabek Tribunal and Commission and the four Regional commissions and their policies. The four regions being Lake Huron, Northern Superior, Southeast and Southwest;

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly support the Union of Ontario Indians Legal Department in seeking Band Council Resolutions from member First Nations as to the type of services and disputes that they will be referred to the Anishinabek Nation Tribunal & Commission and/or their respective Regional Commission;

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly support the Union of Ontario Indians Legal department in providing for the First Nation Member training in Dispute Resolution for Accreditation to:

- a) Complete development of the training program;
- b) Submission of the training program to the ADR Institute or similar dispute resolution training accreditation agency

FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED this policy is hereby enacted to assist the 42 First Nations of the Anishinabek Nation to resolve disputes that arise within their communities and territories

Moved By:	Chief Shining Turtle, Sturgeon Clan, Whitefish River First Nation	
Seconded By:	Chief Chris Plain – Aamjiwnaang First Nation	
Status:	Passed by Consensus	

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None

us John Beaucage Grand Council Chief Glen Hare Deputy Grand Council Chief

SUBJECT: Anishinabek Nation Law Respecting Shingwauk Kinoomaage Gamig

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Nation is 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 Shingwauk Kinoomaage Gamig was founded to fulfill the vision of Ojibway Chief Shingwauk who in 1873 told the people to build a "Teaching Wigwam Lodge" to preserve the history and culture of Anishinaabe people of all tribes, nations and to teach and give students a good education and to live a good life into the future; and

WHEREAS the vision of Shingwauk Kinoomaage Gamig is to preserve the integrity of Anishinaabe knowledge and understanding in cooperation with all Anishinaabe bands, tribes, organizations and all schools, universities, colleges of the contemporary society on and off the reserves of Canada and U.S. to educate the present and future generations in a positive, cooperative and respectful environment; and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Nation, Ojibways of Garden River and Shingwauk Kinoomaage Gamig and the Three Fires Midewiwin Lodge, collaborated previously on the re-establishment of Three Fires Confederacy. Now wish to renew their commitment to collaboration through the enactment and commitment of a traditional Covenant in a contemporary venue; and

WHEREAS Shingwauk Kinoomaage Gamig is committed to a goal of obtaining formal recognition, Ministerial Consent and granting of a University Charter in the Province of Ontario, Canada; and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Nation is a sovereign Nation. This sovereignty was granted to us by the Creator and bestowed in the Sacred Law of the Midewiwin Anishinabe, the way of the heart. This sovereignty has never been relinquished nor forgotten, completely; and

WHEREAS under said sacred law and sovereignty, we maintain that the Anishinabek Nation assert said inherent rights to develop, codify and implement our own Anishinaabe Nation Laws, and the inherent jurisdiction to enable, establish and endorse their own post-secondary institutions.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Nation Chiefs-in-Assembly, endorse the establishment of traditional Shingwauk Vision Covenant between Anishinabek Nation, Ojibways of Garden River and Shingwauk Kinoomaage Gamig and the Three Fires Midewiwin Lodge to broaden collaboration, ensure continuity of the Three Fires Confederacy, guide the re-emergence of enendamowin and Anishinaabemowin, recognize Anishinaabe institutes of higher learning, and broaden Anishinaabe professional, cultural and spiritual development; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Grand Council Chief, Union of Ontario Indians and Chiefs-in-Assembly collaborate on political advocacy and generating public support required to

achieve the goal of formal recognition of Shingwauk Kinoomaage Gamig as a university in Ontario; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Shingwauk Kinoomaage Gamig report back to the Chiefs in Assembly on the progress of the application for obtaining a Federal Charter or provincial Ministerial Consent; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Nation Chiefs-in-Assembly, hereby present as a first reading, the following Anishinaabe Nation Law respecting Shingwauk Kinoomaage Gamig.

Moved By:	Chief Shining Turtle, Sturgeon Clan, Whitefish River First Nation
Seconded By:	Chief Lyle Sayers – Ojibways of Garden River
Status:	Carried

In Favour:	24
Opposed:	One
Abstentions:	Chief Chris Plain - Aamjiwnaang First Nation

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Anishinaabe Nation Law respecting Shingwauk Kinoomaage Gamig

PREAMBLE

The Anishinabek Nation, by and with the advice and consent of the Grand Council, enacts as follows:

- 1. This Law may be cited as the Anishinabek Nation Law respecting Shingwauk Kinoomaage Gamig.
- 2. The purpose of this Law is to establish Shingwauk Kinoomaage Gamig as a university and institute of higher learning under sovereign, customary Anishinaabe Nation Law.
- 3. The Anishinabek Nation Chiefs-in-Assembly have the inherent right to develop, codify and implement our own Anishinabek Nation Laws, and hereby invoke our jurisdiction to enable, establish and endorse their own post-secondary institution.

A UNIVERSITY

- 4. The Anishinabek Nation hereby recognizes and establishes Shingwauk Kinoomaage Gamig as a university and institute of higher learning.
- 5. Shingwauk Kinoomaage Gamig shall be governed by a Charter, to be developed and endorsed by its Board of Directors and ratified by the Chiefs-in-Assembly at a future date.
- 6. Shingwauk Kinoomaage Gamig shall develop under-graduate, university programmes and curriculum, in accordance with its Charter.
 - 6.1. The programs offered must be comparable and transferable with university programmes and standards within the Province of Ontario and by Articulation Agreements to other institutions of higher learning as it may be advisable..

DEGREE-GRANTING AUTHORITY

- 7. The Anishinabek Nation, bestows degree-granting authority to Shingwauk Kinoomaage Gamig, based on the Charter, completion of a prescribed university programme, and the recommendation and advice of its faculty and Board of Directors.
- 8. Graduate and post-doctoral programmes and degrees may be developed in accordance with the Charter as ratified by the Chiefs-in-Assembly.

RECOGNITION BY ONTARIO

- 9. The Anishinabek Nation and Shingwauk Kinoomaage Gamig will continue to fulfill the goal of obtaining formal recognition, Ministerial Consent and granting of an Ontario University Charter and/or Federal Charter.
- 10. The aforementioned goal, described in Section 10, is not required to be fulfilled as condition of this Law.

LEGAL RIGHTS

- 11. When required, specific contracts and agreements will be developed with other parties to fulfill administrative commitments.
- 12. Nothing in this Law is meant to affect the rights and autonomy of any affiliated First Nations or partners, nor any other post-secondary institution affiliated with the Anishinabek Nation and its member First Nations.

COMING INTO FORCE

13. The provisions of this Law, come into force, or are deemed to have come into force, on a day or days to be fixed by order of the Anishinabek Nation Chiefs-in-Assembly.

Subject: Anishinabek Nation Law respecting our Official Flag

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Nation Flag is the Nation's most widely used and recognized symbol; and

WHEREAS it is intended to be displayed on government buildings, private dwellings as well as being displayed in forms such as decals for car windows, antennae of vehicles and clothing ornaments such as badges and lapel pins; and

WHEREAS throughout the world the Anishinabek Flag is intended to be used for public discourse to refer to the sovereign existence of the Anishinabek both as a people and a government as well as represent the set of policies, ideology and world values held; and

WHEREAS the present Anishinabek Flag has been in existence for over thirty (30) years; and

WHEREAS new technologies exist, that will greatly assist with the production, distribution and availability of the Anishinabek Flag which are faster, more cost effective and higher quality.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Nation Chiefs-in-Assembly, hereby establish and declare into force, by resolution, the following Anishinabek Nation Law respecting our Official Flag:

TITLE

"Anishinabek Nation Law respecting our Official Flag"

PREAMBLE

The Anishinabek Nation, by and with the advice and consent of the Grand Council, enacts as follows:

- 1. This Law may be cited as the Anishinabek Nation Law respecting our Official Flag.
- 2. The purpose of this Law is to establish a new standard for the Anishinabek Nation flag.
- 3. The Anishinabek Nation Chiefs-in-Assembly have the inherent right to develop, codify and implement our own Anishinabek Nation Laws, and hereby enable, establish and endorse a law establishing an Official Flag.

SPECIFICATIONS

- 4. The specifications of the present Anishinabek Flag shall be retired.
- 5. The new specifications described in this Anishinabek Nation Law, through the accompanying Appendix and digital graphic file shall be instituted to describe the Official Flag of the Anishinabek Nation.
 - 5.1. The two dimensional image, as well as the overall proportional ratio of the Anishinabek Flag shall be as displayed in the accompanying Appendix and digital graphic file.
 - 5.2. The "thunderbird" image that is used on the Official Flag shall be an officially registered trademark of the Union of Ontario Indians Inc. on behalf of the Anishinabek Nation.
- 6. The dimensions of the Official Flag shall be 72 inches long and 36 inches high.
 - 6.1. The Official Flag can be reduced for various purposes provided that the overall proportion ratio remains the same at 2:1 (length:height)

REPOSITORY

- 7. The official Image of the Official Flag shall be kept and secured in digital format by the secretariat of the Anishinabek Nation.
 - 7.1. This image shall be made accessible to all member First Nations and citizens for official reproduction purposes.

FLYING THE OFFICIAL FLAG

- 8. That a grateful Nation requests, that all member First Nations fly the Official Flag at their governmental offices and other First Nation venues at all times;
- 9. The Official Flag may be lowered to half-mast to commemorate any official period of mourning or be flown upside down in times of distress.
 - 9.1. The Chief may authorize the Official Flag to be lowered;
 - 9.2. In the absence of the Chief the Official Flag may be lowered by motion of the Band Council.
- 10. The Grand Council Chief may request that all Official Flags be collectively lowered to half-mast, as required, to commemorate extraordinary period of mourning or be flown upside down in times of distress.
- 11. The Official Flag shall not fly at half-mast for more than four (4) consecutive days.

LEGAL RIGHTS

12. Nothing in this Law is meant to affect the rights and autonomy of any member First Nation.

COMING INTO FORCE

13. The provisions of this Law come into force or are deemed to have come into force on a day or days to be fixed by order of the Anishinabek Nation Chiefs-in-Assembly. (would simplify this to immediately upon approval of GC).

Moved By:	Chief Lyle Sayers – Ojibways of Garden River	
Seconded By:	Chief Rodney Monague Jr Beausoleil First Nation	
Status:	Passed by Consensus	

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None

John Beaucage Grand Council Chief Glen Hare Deputy Grand Council Chief

APPENDIX A OVERALL PROPORTIONAL RATIO





Pantone Specification: 1807

CMYK Specifications: C 0 M 100 Y 96 K 28

APPENDIX B DESIGN SPECIFICATIONS OF ANISHNABEK FLAG

The design of the Anishinabek Flag is a follows;

Proportional Width of the flag:	91.4 cm
Proportional Length of the flag:	182.9 cm
Background Color:	PMS 1807
Thunderbird Image Wingspan: Thunderbird Image Head to Tail: Thunderbird Color: Thunderbird Image Position:	69 cm 40.5 cm White Exact Center of Flag Rectangle
Circle Image Outer Diameter: 78 cm Circle Image Inner Diameter: Circle Image Color: Circle Image Position;	75 cm White Exact Center of Flag Rectangle

SUBJECT: Child Welfare Canadian Human Rights Complaint

WHEREAS the Assembly of First Nations and the First Nations Child and Family Caring Society of Canada (FNCFCS) have jointly filed a complaint with the Canadian Human Rights Commission regarding the under-funding of First Nations Child & Family Service agencies across Canada; and

WHEREAS the Canadian Human Rights Commission granted a tribunal to hear a human rights complaint regarding First Nations children in state care and the continual under-funding of First Nations Child and Family Services.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly endorses the action taken by the Assembly of First Nations and the First Nations Child and Family Caring Society of Canada.

Moved By:	Nelson Toulouse, Proxy – Sagamok Anishnawbek
Seconded By:	Chief Wilmer Noganosh – Magnetawan First Nation
Status:	Passed by Consensus

In Favour:	All	
Opposed:	None	
Abstentions:	None	

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Grand Council Chief	Deputy Grand Council Chief

SUBJECT: Protection of Traditional Territory

WHEREAS Alexander Centre Industries (ACIL) has developed a deep water port (1975) on Little La Cloche Island adjacent to Fraser Bay and Georgian Bay of Lake Huron; and

WHEREAS a 1975 Environmental Hearing Board found that there was significant concerns raised by the public involving the environmental sensitivity of the site that the proponent Alexander Centre Industries was given a water lot lease (MNR number 3282) with a limited commodity list; steel; limestone; lumber; paper products; iron ore pellets; coal; containers; and

WHERAS the existing water lot lease, MNR # 3282, expired on December 2004, and ACIL is applying to modify the water lot boundaries and to have an open commodity list to allow ACIL to seek new business opportunities and to compete with other northern Lake Huron commercial harbours; and

WHERAS Whitefish River nor any of the bands on Manitoulin Island participated in the 1975 Environmental Hearing Board meetings, nor was Whitefish River aware of the development of the project; and

WHEREAS Whitefish River nor any of the bands on Manitoulin Island participated in the 1975 Environmental Hearing Board meetings, nor was Whitefish River aware of the development of the project; and

WHEREAS the salt piles are stockpiled on an in filled section of Fraser Bay that was also never subject of any environmental approval process by the Federal and Provincial Government; and

WHEREAS the salt enters the water at its place of storage on the shores of Frazer Bay with contaminants in the following concentrations; and

Chloride	163000 mg/l
Sodium	106000 mg/l
Sulfate	1500 mg/l
Cyanide	17.1 mg/l

WHEREAS Chief John Nahwegahbow of Whitefish River petitioned the Governor General of England in July 1881 about the illegal sale of islands surrounding Manitoulin Island and in particular Great La Cloche Island; and **WHEREAS** Whitefish River has not extinguished Aboriginal Title, and Inherent Rights to the islands and water ways around our territory; and

WHEREAS, this industrial development threatens the traditional harvesting practices of Anishnawbek people and those that conduct ceremonies at Dreamer's Rock and Bell Rocks; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED we the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly, support our traditional women who have a sacred responsibility to protect the water as our life blood for all generations; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED we the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly support the Whitefish River First Nation, the UCCM and the Lake Huron Treaty territory in opposing this reckless development that threatens the water that sustains all life.

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

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None

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SUBJECT: Support for a Anishinabek Nation Procurement Strategy

WHEREAS the First Nations of the Anishinabek Nation have enormous buying power in terms of their everyday operations; and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Nation developed an Economic Blueprint to improve the opportunities toward economic prosperity of Anishinabek citizens; and

WHEREAS certain businesses have shown support, in terms of donations, towards Anishinabek initiatives such as youth hockey and other Anishinabek charitable activities; and

WHEREAS it is just and reasonable that Anishinabek citizens patronize Anishinabek businesses and other businesses that support Anishinabek based initiatives.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly, hereby direct that the Union of Ontario Indians develop a Anishinabek Procurement Strategy consistent with the Economic Blue Print that supports Anishinabek businesses and other businesses that support Anishinabek youth and other charitable activities; and

FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly direct the Union of Ontario Indians to work towards bringing together the businesses of Anishinabek members in a trade show.

Moved By:	Chief Patrick Madahbee – Aundeck Omni Kaning
Seconded By:	Chief Isadore Day – Serpent River First Nation
Status:	Passed by Consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None

Glen Hare John Beaucage Grand Courfeil Chief Deputy Grand Council Chief

Anishinabek Nation Caucus Toronto, Ontario November 18, 2008

SUBJECT: Chippewas of the Thames Transition House

WHEREAS the health of Anishinabek families and youth, including the use of drugs, is of great concern; and

WHEREAS the Chippewas of the Thames Transition House would provide a safe and supportive environment and shelter to the youth and families who would be residents Chippewas of the Thames Transition House; and

WHEREAS the Chippewas of the Thames Transition House would also provide crisis services, counselling, outreach, advocacy and prevention education to the residents; and

WHEREAS the Chippewas of the Thames Transition House would provide access to traditional healers and ceremonies available at the request of the residents.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly endorses the proposal by the Chippewas of the Thames First Nation being submitted to the Aboriginal Victim Support Grant Program at the Ministry of the Attorney General.

Moved By:	Chief Chris Plain - Aamjiwnaang First Nation
Seconded By:	Chief Vaughan Albert – Chippewas of the Thames
Status:	Passed by Consensus

In Favour:	All
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None

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Glen Hare / Deputy Grand Council Chief