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RESOLUTION # 1:

AGENDA

THAT the Agenda for the Anishinabek Grand Council, May 16 - 18, 1989 be accepted as amended.

MOVED BY: CHIEF GREG SARAZIN, GOLDEN LAKE FIRST NATION
SECONDED BY: CHIEF ROY MICHANO, OJIBWAYS OF THE PIC RIVER
FIRST NATION

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION # 2:

RULES OF PROCEDURE

THAT the Rules of Procedure for the Anishinabek Grand Council, May 16 - 18, 1989 be accepted as read.

MOVED BY: CHIEF ALPHONSE SHAWANA, WIKWEMIKONG UNCEDED
FIRST NATION
SECONDED BY: CHIEF HOWARD JONES, CHIPPEWAS OF NAWASH FIRST
NATION

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION # 3:

1988-89 AUDIT REPORT

WHEREAS the draft audited financial statement for 1989 has been reviewed; and

WHEREAS the final audited statement has yet to be prepared and presented.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek accept the draft audit; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs-in-Assembly grant the Board of Directors of the Union of Ontario Indians the authority to approve the audited statement, subject to review and acceptance of said statement by its Finance Committee.

MOVED BY: CHIEF AIME BOUCHARD, PAYS PLAT FIRST NATION
SECONDED BY: CHIEF YVONNE EDGAR, MISSISSAUGAS OF SCUGOG
FIRST NATION

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION # 4:

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS

WHEREAS there has been a significant reduction in the audit fee over the last 5 years; and

WHEREAS the firm Pogue, Betsworth, Leong has indicated their interest in having the Union of Ontario Indians as a client.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek retain the firm of Pogue, Betsworth, Leong as auditors for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1990.

MOVED BY: CHIEF ROY MICHANO, OJIBWAYS OF THE PIC RIVER
FIRST NATION

SECONDED BY: CHIEF YVONNE BRESSETTE, CHIPPEWAS OF KETTLE
AND STONY POINT FIRST NATION

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION # 5:

UNION OF ONTARIO INDIANS'

OFFICE SPACE

WHEREAS the future funding for the Union of Ontario Indians would appear to be flat lined at best with a strong possibility of reduction; and

WHEREAS the pressure due to cost increases is likely to continue.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek mandate the Union of Ontario Indians to solicit proposals from member First Nations for on-reserve office accommodations and that such proposals be received no later than June 30, 1989; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a meeting of the Anishinabek Chiefs will be convened in July 1989 in Quebec City to make a decision on the matter of relocation; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs-in-Assembly grant the authority to the Board of Directors of the Union of Ontario Indians to develop and implement a long term plan to ensure the continued strength and viability of the organization.

MOVED BY: CHIEF AIME BOUCHARD, PAYS PLAT FIRST NATION
SECONDED BY: CHIEF PATRICK MADAHBEE, SUCKER CREEK FIRST NATION

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION # 6:

**SELF-SUFFICIENCY THROUGH ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT**

WHEREAS for the purpose of realizing the goal of self-government it is desirable for the Union of Ontario Indians and member First Nations to become increasingly self-sufficient; and

WHEREAS economic development is seen as a vehicle for increasing the opportunity for self-sufficiency; and

WHEREAS present legislative structures and funding programs designed to promote economic development are inadequate; and

WHEREAS the opportunity may exist to secure non-government sources of funds to further economic development.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek direct the Board of Directors of the Union of Ontario Indians to explore the possibility of securing non-government sources of funding for economic development; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs-in-Assembly mandate the Board of Directors of the Union of Ontario Indians to proceed with establishing and implementing a method of securing non-government sources of funds to further self-sufficiency through economic development.

**MOVED BY: MARTHA ALBERT, ACTING CHIEF, CHIPPEWAS OF THE
THAMES FIRST NATION**
**SECONDED BY: FLORA TABOBONDUNG, ELDER, ROBINSON HURON
REGION**

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION # 7:

1988 GRAND COUNCIL REPORT

THAT the 1988 Anishinabek Grand Council Resolutions of May 2 - 4, 1988 and the Follow-up Report be accepted as read.

MOVED BY: CHIEF HARVEY TRUDEAU, SPANISH RIVER FIRST NATION

SECONDED BY: CHIEF AUBREY COPPAWAY, CURVE LAKE FIRST NATION

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION # 8:

NON-INSURED SERVICES

WHEREAS Indian health care, including non-insured health services, is a treaty and aboriginal right; and

WHEREAS despite resolutions of the Chiefs, Medical Services Branch has continued to plan administrative changes to the payment of claims for these non-insured services; and

WHEREAS Medical Services Branch has indicated that it also wishes to review patient transportation agreements to improve their administration.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek mandate the Union of Ontario Indians to undertake any necessary measures to influence the changes to the administrative procedures for prescription drugs, optometric or other non-insured services in order to maximize the usefulness of and access to this information; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek support the Patient Transportation Proposal submitted to Medical Services Branch in order to ensure continued Indian control of this non-insured service and to improve opportunities for other First Nations to assume the management of this community-based service.

MOVED BY: CHIEF HARVEY TRUDEAU, SPANISH RIVER FIRST
NATION
SECONDED BY: CHIEF GREG SARAZIN, GOLDEN LAKE FIRST NATION
CARRIED.

RESOLUTION # 9:

**NATIONAL INDIAN ENVIRONMENTAL
POLICY**

WHEREAS the AFN General Assembly passed a resolution in 1988 calling for a National Indian Environmental Policy; and

WHEREAS the All Ontario Chiefs' Conference also passed a resolution at Thunder Bay in 1988 calling for an Indian Environmental Policy and mandated a working group of Elders and interested people to draft such a policy; and

WHEREAS Indian and Northern Affairs Canada has unilaterally initiated preparation of a draft policy without consultation with the Union of Ontario Indians.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek hereby appoint a Chief from each Region of the Organization to work with the Union of Ontario Indians' staff to develop a draft environmental statement for AFN; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT this group is granted the authority to delegate a Chief to sit on the AFN Environmental Political Committee on our behalf to prepare a future Indian Environmental Policy.

MOVED BY: CHIEF GREG SARAZIN, GOLDEN LAKE FIRST NATION
SECONDED BY: CHIEF ROGER JONES, SHAWANAGA FIRST NATION

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #10:

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

WHEREAS the Anishinabek First Nations have indicated their need for day care centres and early childhood education programs and these First Nations will require qualified staff to fill positions in these new or expanded centres; and

WHEREAS existing Anishinabek day care centres have stated that they have an ongoing shortage of trained staff for vacant positions and short term relief; and

WHEREAS the existing day care staff do not have formal training in the Native aspects of early childhood education since none of the college-based Early Childhood Education Diploma Programs offer a cultural component; and

WHEREAS any new day care centres constructed will also require qualified staff, with knowledge of Native early childhood education practices.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT upon approval of this proposal, the Chiefs of the Anishinabek endorse the Early Childhood Education (E.C.E) Project for the development of a Native E.C.E Diploma based on consultation with First Nations, Day Care staff, Elders, parents, teachers and other relevant parties; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the
Chiefs of the Anishinabek support
the creation of a steering committee
to guide the planning and
development of this Project.

MOVED BY: CHIEF ROY MICHANO, OJIBWAYS OF THE PIC RIVER
FIRST NATION
SECONDED BY: CHIEF AUBREY COPPAWAY, CURVE LAKE FIRST NATION

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #11:

GENERAL POLICING AGREEMENT

WHEREAS twenty-two (22) Anishinabek First Nations have Special Constable Programs under the General Policing Agreement which was negotiated in 1982 and revised in subsequent years but expired on March 31, 1989; and

WHEREAS the Federal Government has capped the funding for the Special Constable Program at 4.6 million dollars; and

WHEREAS the Chiefs, in annual assemblies, have indicated that the percentage split between the Federal and Provincial Governments should be a formula of 52% Federal and 48% Provincial funding; and

WHEREAS many First Nations have requested additional funding for adequate policing services and recognize that the Provincial Government is in agreement with this need; and

WHEREAS a concentration on funding issues in past negotiations has resulted in an impasse which limits the expansion of policing services to First Nations.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek direct our representatives to negotiate justice and policing on a two-tiered basis:

- a) an agreement based on principles for the operation and delivery of justice and policing systems for the Anishinabek, pursuant to First Nations' unique constitutional rights to safety and protection; and

- b) a tripartite agreement to fulfill the subsequent financial needs with respect to the operation and delivery of Indian policing services and the Anishinabek Justice Authority; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs-in-Assembly recognize that this two-tiered approach will affect the 52/48 percent formula previously adhered to, and it will therefore be revised; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek direct our negotiators to ensure that our inherent aboriginal and treaty rights continue to be protected in any future agreements.

MOVED BY: ARNOLD SOLOMON, OFFICIAL DELEGATE,
CHIPPEWAS OF SAUGEEN FIRST NATION
SECONDED BY: CHIEF AUBREY COPPAWAY, CURVE LAKE FIRST NATION

2 OPPOSED CHIEF JOE HARE, WEST BAY FIRST NATION
CHIEF YVONNE BRESSETTE, CHIPPEWAS OF KETTLE
AND STONY POINT FIRST NATION

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #12:

FIRST NATION EDUCATION

WHEREAS First Nation's education is being transferred to local control, resulting in a downsizing of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, and which has been accompanied by a loss of educational services; and

WHEREAS small First Nations operated educational systems will have a corresponding need to retain or replace these lost services at a central level in order to provide the same quality of services in a co-ordinated manner similar to that which existed previously through district and regional Indian and Northern Affairs' offices; and

WHEREAS the Union of Ontario Indians has developed a number of educational models for use in the Declaration of Political Intent process, and these models require site specific testing to investigate their feasibility, potential and efficiency for use by Ontario First Nations; and

WHEREAS the member First Nations of the United Chiefs and Councils of Manitoulin have passed First Nation Council Resolutions in 1987 to unanimously consent to the development and establishment of a second level consolidated educational authority.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek endorse the creation of a trial consolidated educational authority as a pilot project for two years; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the educational personnel housed within Manitoulin consolidated educational authority shall serve in a support, resource and liaison capacity for interested First Nations; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Union of Ontario Indians and its education officers are directed to develop a proposal, including cost projections and budget, to be submitted to Indian and Northern Affairs Canada or other appropriate departments and funding agencies by November 1989 for implementation of the model in September 1990 to include the development and pilot of a second level of a Manitoulin consolidated educational authority model of education on Manitoulin Island; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT this Resolution shall not impede, constrain or contravene any individual First Nation's right to explore, develop, negotiate, implement or maintain any other form of educational authority.

MOVED BY: CHIEF JOE HARE, WEST BAY FIRST NATION
SECONDED BY: CHIEF LEONA NAHWEGAHBOW, WHITEFISH RIVER
FIRST NATION

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #13:

BAND REPRESENTATIVE FUNDING

WHEREAS the First Nations, the Federal and Provincial Representatives in the tripartite process, facilitated by the Indian Commission of Ontario, agreed to establish a Band Representative Funding Program and a 1988-89 Funding Agreement; and

WHEREAS all parties agreed to re-negotiate the terms and conditions and levels of funding for a 1989-90 Agreement; and

WHEREAS there is insufficient data upon which to negotiate increased funding.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek direct the Union of Ontario Indians to enter separate discussions leading to negotiation of a 1989-90 Band Representative Funding Agreement to include training funds; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs-in-Assembly pursue discussions with the Federal and Provincial governments to re-negotiate the 1965 Welfare Agreement to include an amendment incorporating the Band Representative Program to ensure annual funding of this program based on actual need.

MOVED BY: CHIEF GREG SARAZIN, GOLDEN LAKE FIRST NATION
SECONDED BY: CHIEF EDWARD WILLIAMS, MOOSE DEER POINT FIRST NATION

CARRIED.

WHEREAS the Provincial Social Assistance legislation and its regulations do not recognize First Nations' jurisdiction to meet the needs of their communities in a way which maintains the principles of social development, specifically that services be First Nation based, First Nation determined, First Nation specific and First Nation controlled; and

WHEREAS the Federal Government entered into the 1965 Indian Welfare Agreement with the Province of Ontario which was designed to provide a mechanism for Federal-Provincial cost-sharing of general welfare costs; and

WHEREAS in fulfilling the trust responsibility for Indian people the Federal Government reimburses the Province for 97% of the costs associated with the provision of general welfare to Indian people; and

WHEREAS First Nations believe that jurisdiction over their own social assistance, including general welfare and family benefits, will result in better support, coordination and incentives to promote self-sufficiency and the ultimate development of Indian Communities.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek direct the Union of Ontario Indians to pursue the development of an Indian Social Assistance Act which recognizes Indian jurisdiction over these matters and must be based on the principles of First Nations' social development; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT these discussions be held on a bi-lateral basis with the Federal Government in

order to maintain the Federal trust responsibility, while recognizing the costs already assumed by that government; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Union of Ontario Indians be directed to seek funding to support the consultation, planning and development of this new Act; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT until such time as this Indian Social Assistance Act is implemented, we support the resolution passed by the Chiefs at the 1988 All Ontario Chiefs' Conference with respect to social assistance, as an interim measure.

MOVED BY: CHIEF YVONNE BRESSETTE, CHIPPEWAS OF KETTLE
AND STONY POINT FIRST NATION
SECONDED BY: CHIEF LEROY DOLSON, MUNSEE-DELAWARE FIRST
NATION

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #15:

**THE NATIONAL CHILD CARE
STRATEGY**

WHEREAS in 1988 Health and Welfare Canada announced a four part National Child Care Strategy that included a First Nation (on-Reserve) child care fund of 60 million dollars; and

WHEREAS this \$60 million child care fund has been deferred, and potentially eliminated, due to the fiscal restraints imposed by the Federal government in the 1989 budget; and

WHEREAS Ontario First Nations have been unable to access capital funds since the expiry of Clause 4 of the 1965 Welfare Agreement; and

WHEREAS Ontario First Nations are desperately in need of new and expanded child care facilities.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek demand that Health and Welfare Canada honour its commitment to First Nations for child care; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs-in-Assembly direct the Union of Ontario Indians to initiate discussions through the tripartite process with the intent to influence the Federal and Provincial governments to re-activate Clause 4 of the 1965 Welfare Agreement in order for Ontario First Nations to access capital funding for child care facilities.

**MOVED BY: CHIEF ALPHONSE SHAWANA, WIKWEMIKONG UNCEDED
FIRST NATION**

**SECONDED BY: CHIEF PATRICK MADAHBEE, SUCKER CREEK FIRST
NATION**

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #16:

CEMETERIES ACT REGULATIONS

WHEREAS the Ontario government has drafted a new Cemeteries Act and will not be making any further revisions to that Act at this time; and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek First Nations are constantly being asked to intervene in order to protect the remains of Aboriginal people located in burial sites which have been disturbed; and

WHEREAS the opportunity exists for the Anishinabek to negotiate specific regulations under this new Act to recognize, protect and intervene on behalf of Aboriginal peoples' burial sites that will be disturbed.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek direct the Grand Council Chief to open discussions leading to negotiations for appropriate regulations under this Act with the Provincial Government; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT Chief Nora Bothwell is hereby appointed by this Grand Council as the Chief Negotiator.

MOVED BY: CHIEF GREG SARAZIN, GOLDEN LAKE FIRST NATION
SECONDED BY: CHIEF LEROY DOLSON, MUNSEE-DELAWARE FIRST NATION

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #17:

**POST SECONDARY STUDENT ASSISTANCE
PROGRAM**

WHEREAS the Chiefs of the Anishinabek First Nations reject the implementation of the 1989 Post-Secondary Education Assistance Policy and have protested this issue, including the call for a moratorium; and

WHEREAS the Chiefs of the Anishinabek realize that action must be taken immediately to maximize the support, interest, and momentum of the First Nations' peoples and the Canadian public in addressing this issue; and

WHEREAS there is a need for the Federal Government to formally recognize education, including post-secondary education, as an aboriginal and treaty right.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek, for a minimum period of one year, will follow their First Nation's previous practices with respect to the administration of post-secondary education assistance funding while developing post-secondary education policies and guidelines appropriate to each individual First Nation; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Union of Ontario Indians be directed to develop an Anishinabek position, including a mechanism for the implementation of each First Nation's policies and guidelines on post-secondary education assistance, with the input of First Nation education officials and students; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek demand that our leadership be part of the national review of the Education Policy, based on the Anishinabek education position; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Union of Ontario Indians be directed to work with the First Nations to initiate a data base which identifies the needs for funding post-secondary education and that this information be used to prepare for immediate discussions between the Government of Canada and the Anishinabek to meet these needs; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT an Anishinabek bilateral negotiation team be struck and directed to include the following points in future agreements:

1. Establish a treaty and aboriginal rights process with respect to education;
2. Develop a bilateral process to establish an accurate and effective on-going mechanism for data collection and interpretation for future financing of post-secondary education;
3. Begin the immediate implementation of the AFN National Indian Education Review; and
4. Establish an immediate mechanism for ongoing negotiations into educational issues; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Union of Ontario Indians' staff be directed to develop an educational document to be used for public relations; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs-in-Assembly direct that any other actions deemed necessary be taken in order to protect Indian

peoples' rights with regards to
education.

MOVED BY: CHIEF LEROY DOLSON, MUNSEE-DELAWARE FIRST
NATION
SECONDED BY: ELSIE KNOTT, ELDER, SOUTHEAST REGION

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #18:

TEME-AUGAMA ANISHNABAI

WHEREAS the Chiefs of the Anishinabek intervened into the Teme-Augama Case in the Ontario Court of Appeal; and

WHEREAS that Court made findings of law adverse to the rights and interests of Anishinabek First Nations; and

WHEREAS the Teme-Augama Anishnabai have sought leave to appeal that decision to the Supreme Court of Canada; and

WHEREAS the interests of the Anishinabek in the legal principles continue to be of interest and concern in this case.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That, if leave to appeal to the Supreme Court of Canada is granted to the Teme-Augama Anishnabai, the Anishinabek seek leave to intervene in that appeal through its counsel in the matter; and
2. That the Grand Council Chief be authorized and directed to implement this Resolution.

MOVED BY: CHIEF LEONA NAHWEGAHBOW, WHITEFISH RIVER
FIRST NATION

SECONDED BY: CHIEF ROY MICHANO, OJIBWAYS OF THE PIC RIVER
FIRST NATION

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #19:

**TREATY RESEARCH FUNDING
EVALUATION**

WHEREAS Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) has proposed to undertake an evaluation of the Research Funding Division; and

WHEREAS INAC has indicated that this evaluation will not consider the Specific or Comprehensive Claims Policies; and

WHEREAS the Chiefs of the Anishinabek believe that an evaluation of research funding in isolation from the claims process is futile.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek direct the Union of Ontario Indians to inform INAC of this concern and request that the scope of their proposed evaluation be broadened to include the Specific and Comprehensive Claims Policies.

MOVED BY: CHIEF AIME BOUCHARD, PAYS PLAT FIRST NATION
SECONDED BY: JEFF MONAGUE, OFFICIAL DELEGATE, BEAUSOLEIL FIRST NATION

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #20:

ONTARIO LAND CLAIMS FORUM

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has asked the Indian Commission of Ontario to facilitate an Ontario Land Claims Forum; and

WHEREAS it would appear that this Land Claims Forum is the first step towards the development of an Ontario Land Claims Policy.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek direct the Union of Ontario Indians to participate in the proposed Land Claims Forum; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Union of Ontario Indians be directed to complete an analysis of the Ontario Land Claims Policy as it is developed; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the Union of Ontario Indians report their findings to the Chiefs, in Assembly, prior to endorsing or rejecting an Ontario Land Claims Policy.

MOVED BY: CHIEF JOE HARE, WEST BAY FIRST NATION
SECONDED BY: CHIEF YVONNE EDGAR, MISSISSAUGAS OF SCUGOG
FIRST NATION

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #21:

TREATY RESEARCH UNITS'
FUNDING

WHEREAS there is an expressed need by Treaty Research Units within the Union of Ontario Indians for additional funding; and

WHEREAS Treaty Research is vital to the self-government aspirations of the First Nations of the Anishinabek; and

WHEREAS by instituting cost saving measures and sound financial management it is possible to enhance the funding of Treaty Research Units.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek direct the Union of Ontario Indians to fund each of the eight Treaty Research Units equally in amount; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT each research unit will contract the services of a co-ordinator out of the allocated amount, if they so desire; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs-in-Assembly direct the Union of Ontario Indians to undertake a review of the Treaty Research Program before the Anishinabek Grand Council in 1990.

MOVED BY: CHIEF LEONA NAHWEGAHBOW, WHITEFISH RIVER FIRST NATION

SECONDED BY: CHIEF AIME BOUCHARD, PAYS PLAT FIRST NATION

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #22:

CHIPPEWAS OF KETTLE AND STONY
POINT FIRST NATION LANDS

WHEREAS the Department of National Defence, by Order in Council P.C. 2913 dated April 14, 1942, under the authority of the War Measures Act and not under the authority of the people of the Chippewas of Kettle & Stony Point First Nation, forcibly appropriated all that portion of land which comprised the Stony Point Indian Reserve; and

WHEREAS it was acknowledged and promised to the people of the Chippewas of Kettle & Stony Point First Nation that, subsequent to the termination of the war, such lands appropriated by the Department of National Defence would be returned back and transferred to the Kettle & Stony Point First Nation; and

WHEREAS the Department of National Defence and the Government of Canada have, for over four decades, reneged on their promise to return all that land comprising the Stony Point Indian Reserve back to the Kettle & Stony Point First Nation; and

WHEREAS in their continued retention of and desecration of the lands of the Stony Point Indian Reserve, the Department of National Defence and the Government of Canada are in contempt of and in breach of the laws of Canada which govern the people therein and the laws of our Creator/God which govern the people of the Chippewas of Kettle & Stony Point First Nation; and

WHEREAS the Governor in Council has acted beyond his powers of authority, under the War Measures Act, to support the continued retention of the lands of the Stony Point Indian Reserve by the Department of National Defence as such powers to which he is granted are of and in effect only while conclusive evidence that war, invasion, or insurrection exists; and

WHEREAS consequent to the removal of those families from the Stony Point Indian Reserve to the Kettle Point Indian Reserve, as a result of the Department of National Defence's appropriation of such lands, the people of the Kettle Point and Stony Point Indian Reserves have been imposed upon with over-crowding and with substantial loss of economic base; and

WHEREAS as a result of Bill C-31, an Act to amend the Indian Act, the population of the Kettle and Stony Point First Nation is on a rapid and steady increase and is inevitably posing harm and suffering on every person affiliated with the Chippewas of Kettle & Stony Point First Nation as a result of limited land and resources, although Indian and Northern Affairs Canada had promised otherwise.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek support the Chippewas of Kettle & Stony Point First Nation in its demand that the Minister of Indian Affairs take all possible actions to secure the return of all the lands of the Stony Point Indian Reserve which had been appropriated by the Department of National Defence in 1942, the majority of which is now referred to as the Camp Ipperwash Military Base, for the use and benefit of the Chippewas of Kettle & Stony Point First Nation; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT this Resolution be presented to the All Ontario Chiefs' Conference and the Assembly of First Nations for their support.

MOVED BY: CHIEF YVONNE BRESSETTE, CHIPPEWAS OF KETTLE
AND STONY POINT FIRST NATION
SECONDED BY: CHIEF PHILLIP MANESS, CHIPPEWAS OF SARNIA
FIRST NATION

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #23:

PROVINCIAL NATIVE POLICY
INITIATIVE

WHEREAS the Ontario Native Affairs Directorate (ONAD) has produced draft policies concerning: 1) Institutions of Self-Government; 2) Financial Institutions; 3) Crown Lands and Natural Resources; and 4) Economic Development; and

WHEREAS the Province has requested comments and responses regarding these draft policies without sufficient time to review and conduct consultation amongst the First Nations; and

WHEREAS the potential impact of these policies on First Nations' development, aboriginal and treaty rights requires detailed analysis.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek request that the Ontario Native Affairs Directorate delay the introduction of these draft policies to the Provincial officials and Ministers, for a period of six months, in order that the Union of Ontario Indians can prepare, consult and present a formal response to the draft policies to the Province of Ontario.

MOVED BY: CHIEF NORMAN AGUONIE, SHEGUIANDAH FIRST NATION
SECONDED BY: CHIEF ROY MICHANO, OJIBWAYS OF THE PIC RIVER
FIRST NATION

26 IN FAVOR
1 OPPOSED - CHIEF ROGER JONES, SHAWANAGA FIRST NATION
3 ABSTENTIONS

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #24:

P.C.B.'s

WHEREAS there are many Ontario Hydro transformers and other equipment containing P.C.B.'s on First Nations' lands; and

WHEREAS P.C.B.'s are a known environmental and health hazard for First Nations lands; and

WHEREAS First Nations have requested that Ontario Hydro conduct inventories of P.C.B.'s on-reserve.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek request that the Ontario Hydro Corporation complete P.C.B. inventories, and send copies of those inventories to each First Nation; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek demand that all P.C.B. contaminated equipment be removed from First Nations' lands by the Ontario Hydro Corporation during the summer of 1989.

MOVED BY: CHIEF HOWARD JONES, CHIPPEWAS OF NAWASH
FIRST NATION

SECONDED BY: CHIEF ROY MICHANO, OJIBWAYS OF THE PIC RIVER
FIRST NATION

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #25:

CROWN LANDS AS A DEVELOPMENT
TOOL

WHEREAS the Anishinabek First Nations formally object to cottage lot development on Crown lands which will have serious negative effects by voiding the practise of treaty rights enjoyed on Crown land; and

WHEREAS the Grand Council Chief has formally objected to the exemption from environmental assessment granted by the Minister of the Environment to the Ministry of Natural Resources for cottage lot development on Crown lands.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek support a meeting between a delegation of Chiefs from Robinson Huron and Robinson Superior with the Minister of the Environment and the Minister of Natural Resources to discuss, in detail, those negative effects as they pertain to selected First Nations within the Nation and that staff of the Union of Ontario Indians be directed to provide technical support to the Chiefs in preparing, participating and conducting follow-up to this meeting.

MOVED BY: CHIEF LEONA NAHWEGAHBOW, WHITEFISH RIVER FIRST NATION

SECONDED BY: CHIEF AIME BOUCHARD, PAYS PLAT FIRST NATION

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #26:

ANISHINABEK FISHING
NEGOTIATIONS

WHEREAS First Nations expect another set of Provincial fishing charges to be laid during the summer of 1989; and

WHEREAS the Provincial and Federal Governments have stated a desire to negotiate individual First Nation fishing agreements; and

WHEREAS one option available to the Anishinabek is to develop small pilot projects, with site specific agreements for up to eight interested First Nations, to demonstrate the Anishinabek perspective on fishing rights; and

WHEREAS after the Union of Ontario Indians' Intergovernmental Affairs Department discussions with the Ontario Native Affairs Directorate, a call letter was sent on March 15, 1989, from P.J. Akiwenzie to the Regional Grand Chiefs requesting that First Nations in each region be polled as to their interest in participating in pilot negotiations on individual First Nation Fishing Agreements.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek endorse the concept of pilot, negotiated agreements by individual First Nations for site specific situations to illustrate terms of reference for a future Anishinabek Fishing Agreement; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs-in-Assembly direct the Union of Ontario Indians' Director of Intergovernmental Affairs to continue discussions with the Ontario Native Affairs Directorate for funding for skill training, with respect to fishing policy and managerial development needs; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek endorse the following First Nations: Beausoleil, Georgina Island, Kettle and Stony Point, Chippewas of Nawash, the Robinson Huron Treaty Area and a First Nation from the Superior Region as pilot projects for fishing agreements upon ratification by their individual Chiefs and Councils.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek direct our negotiators to ensure that our inherent aboriginal and treaty rights continue to be protected in any future agreements.

MOVED BY: CHIEF HOWARD JONES, CHIPPEWAS OF NAWASH FIRST
NATION
SECONDED BY: CHIEF YVONNE BRESSETTE, CHIPPEWAS OF KETTLE
AND POINT FIRST NATION

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #27:

ANISHINABEK FISHING RIGHT

WHEREAS the United Chiefs and Councils of Manitoulin (U.C.C.M) First Nations' fishing grounds are not recognized nor respected by the Ministry of Natural Resources; and

WHEREAS with the Province of Ontario's issuance of ten dollar fishing licences to Non-Indians, there is evidence of encroachment into the U.C.C.M. First Nations' fishing grounds and evidence of depletion of the fish stock; and

WHEREAS the U.C.C.M. First Nations are attempting to exercise fish conservation practices and recognize fish sanctuaries and restricting gill netting from certain areas of U.C.C.M. fishing waters; and

WHEREAS the U.C.C.M. First Nations are prepared to implement a Fish Management Pilot Project.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek direct the Union of Ontario Indians to arrange a series of fishing meetings between the Robinson-Huron First Nations, Province of Ontario and the Government of Canada in order to negotiate a fishing boundary agreement; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the
Chiefs-in-Assembly direct the Union
of Ontario Indians' Director of
Intergovernmental Affairs to solicit
funds required for this series of
fishing meetings.

MOVED BY: CHIEF ALPHONSE SHAWANA, WIKWEMIKONG UNCEDED
FIRST NATION
SECONDED BY: BRIAN CORBIERE, PROXY, SUCKER CREEK FIRST
NATION

3 ABSTENTIONS

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #28:

FAMILY VIOLENCE INITIATIVE

WHEREAS every member of the Anishinabek has the right to live in dignity, with respect, and free from acts of abuse whether mental, physical, economic or spiritual; and

WHEREAS family violence is a problem which affects not only the victim, but the entire family and their community and must be addressed by the community as a whole with all of its human resources; and

WHEREAS many Anishinabek First Nations have already begun family violence initiatives which will increase awareness amongst their membership or will identify needs for appropriate services; and

WHEREAS the First Nations' Special Constables are an essential member of the community resource team who require enhanced training as it pertains to family violence in order to function effectively in situations related to family violence.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek mandate the Union of Ontario Indians to pursue discussions with Ontario's Solicitor General regarding family violence as it pertains to policing with the intent to establish a specific training initiative for the Special Constables; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the development and delivery of any training for the Constables on this issue be designed and delivered under the direction of the Union of Ontario Indians; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT this Resolution shall not limit other discussions with either the Federal or Provincial Governments to further the aims and objectives of the Anishinabek with respect to family violence.

MOVED BY: CHIEF YVONNE BRESSETTE, CHIPPEWAS OF KETTLE
AND STONY POINT FIRST NATION
SECONDED BY: CHIEF LEROY DOLSON, MUNSEE-DELAWARE FIRST
NATION

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #29:

GAMING COMMISSION

WHEREAS several Anishinabek First Nations have operated bingos and other gaming activities on-reserve without Provincial licenses; and

WHEREAS some First Nations have been targeted for multiple charges by the Provincial Government in order to set legal precedents on Indian Gaming; and

WHEREAS the development of Anishinabek standards, monitoring procedures and licensing is an appropriate strategy to deal with the Province in its move against Indian Gaming; and

WHEREAS the Indian Commission of Ontario (ICO) has scheduled gaming discussions for the 1989-90 agenda.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek endorse the concept of an Anishinabek Gaming Commission to develop draft gaming standards, monitoring processes and licensing procedures for use by Anishinabek First Nations; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs-in-Assembly endorse the creation of a Gaming Steering Committee to work with the Union of Ontario Indians' Director of Intergovernmental Affairs to develop draft terms of reference for the Anishinabek Gaming Commission.

MOVED BY: CHIEF LEROY DOLSON, MUNSEE-DELAWARE FIRST NATION

SECONDED BY: CHIEF YVONNE BRESSETTE, CHIPPEWAS OF KETTLE AND STONY POINT FIRST NATION

CARRIED

RESOLUTION #30:

LANDS, REVENUES AND TRUSTS

WHEREAS Indian and Northern Affairs Canada has undertaken a review of parts of the Indian Act affecting Lands, Revenues and Trusts; and

WHEREAS the scope of this review, the potential changes to the Indian Act and their impact on First Nations are enormous; and

WHEREAS community consultation and community education for all the First Nations is necessary in order for First Nations to respond to the proposed amendments to the Indian Act.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek direct the Union of Ontario Indians to secure funding for a "Lands, Revenues and Trusts Community Education Program" from Indian and Northern Affairs Canada to hold information workshops to ensure all Chiefs and Councils are provided with adequate information.

MOVED BY: CHIEF ROGER JONES, SHAWANAGA FIRST NATION
SECONDED BY: CHIEF HARVEY TRUDEAU, SPANISH RIVER FIRST NATION

CARRIED

RESOLUTION #31:

INDIAN AND NORTHERN AFFAIRS
CANADA (INAC) ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT BUDGET

WHEREAS there are common principles which would enhance First Nations' economic development such as:

1. Recognition of First Nations' inherent aboriginal and treaty rights;
2. Effective control by First Nations;
3. Simplified and easy access to programs;
4. Formal ongoing consultation with Indian organizations during development and implementation of programs;
5. Programs must be designed and adequately resourced to meet the needs of First Nations; and
6. First Nations must benefit from resource development; and

WHEREAS Indian Affairs' Regional Office has been allocating funds based on the perceived needs of First Nations without direct involvement by the First Nations.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Director of Policy Development of the Union of Ontario Indians be mandated to draft guidelines on the allocation of funds and a system of accountability for expenditures, for consideration by the Chiefs through regional meetings and/or the Board of Directors; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek support the re-allocation of INAC Economic Development funding on a fair and equitable basis that would enhance local development through strengthening the community resources of the Band Economic Development Officers; development funds; and increased control of the funds for employment programs.

MOVED BY: CHIEF YVONNE BRESSETTE, CHIPPEWAS OF
KETTLE AND STONY POINT FIRST NATION
SECONDED BY: CHIEF GREG SARAZIN, GOLDEN LAKE FIRST NATION

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #32:

REVISIONS TO THE UNEMPLOYMENT
INSURANCE ACT

WHEREAS the Canadian government has made changes to the Unemployment Insurance Act, its programs and policies, specifically eligibility criteria; and

WHEREAS these changes will have profound negative effects on the eligibility of people living and working on-reserves; and

WHEREAS the new eligibility criteria is based on 20 weeks of employment but seasonal employment in First Nation communities is usually only 14 to 16 weeks; and

WHEREAS the unemployment rate of First Nations is usually substantially higher than the surrounding communities regardless of their geographical location.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek mandate the Union of Ontario Indians to undertake an analysis of the impact of these proposed changes to the Unemployment Insurance Act and to mount a lobby designed to reverse the recent changes proposed by the Federal Government as they apply to First Nations; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT this Resolution be presented to the All Ontario Chiefs' Conference and the Assembly of First Nations in order to coordinate regional and national actions on this matter.

MOVED BY: CHIEF YVONNE BRESSETTE, CHIPPEWAS OF KETTLE
AND STONY POINT FIRST NATION
SECONDED BY: CHIEF PHILLIP MANESS, CHIPPEWAS OF SARNIA
FIRST NATION

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #33:

NATIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
PROGRAM

WHEREAS First Nations have utilized the Native Economic Development Program (NEDP) to develop community businesses and major institutions which has resulted in job creation and improved the quality of life in these communities; and

WHEREAS the Government of Canada has indicated that a revised program will be forthcoming; and

WHEREAS the First Nations have had concerns about the delivery of the program because of the length of time for approvals; the lack of input from First Nations; lack of sensitivity to the culture and pace of development in our communities; freezes on funds; changes in criteria; and finally the lack of responsiveness to regional concerns.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek mandate the Grand Council Chief to correspond with the Department of Regional Industrial Expansion requesting an immediate announcement for the continuation of the program and that the program include the following:

1. A mechanism for regional decision-making;
2. Consultation with First Nations during program implementation in order to increase sensitivity to the culture and pace of development in our communities;
3. Increased control of funds and accountability to First Nations;

4. Immunity from freezes for the duration of the program; and
5. Program criteria which is constant and general enough to ensure flexibility to the various conditions in each community.

MOVED BY: CHIEF ALPHONSE SHAWANA, WIKWEMIKONG UNCEDED
FIRST NATION
SECONDED BY: BRIAN CORBIERE, PROXY, SUCKER CREEK FIRST
NATION

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #34:

SUPPORT FOR BATCHEWANA FIRST
NATION OCCUPATION

WHEREAS the Islands in the St. Mary's River have traditionally been used for fishing, trading and gathering of Anishinabek tribes; and

WHEREAS Chief Nebenaigoching of the Batchewana First Nation reserved this fishing station in the Robinson Huron Treaty of 1850; and

WHEREAS in the Royal Proclamation of 1854 and the Pennefather Treaty of 1859, we affirmed and retained "the small islands used as a fishing station..."; and

WHEREAS in 1902-1907 the Federal Government issued illegal patents to three railway companies to portions of this fishing station, known as Whitefish Island; and

WHEREAS in 1913 the Federal Government took back and still retains Whitefish Island; and

WHEREAS members of the Batchewana First Nation, with support from Chief and Council, have occupied and will continue to occupy Whitefish Island.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, fellow Anishinabek First Nations, and Signatories to the Robinson-Huron Treaty support the Batchewana First Nation's assertion of ownership of the ancestral fishing station, Batchewana Reserve #15B.

MOVED BY: CHIEF WILLARD NIGANOBE, MISSISSAUGA #8
FIRST NATION

SECONDED BY: CHIEF EARL COMMANDA, SERPENT RIVER FIRST
NATION

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #35:

LANDS, REVENUES AND TRUST (LRT)
ANALYSIS

WHEREAS Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) LRT Review information packages have been sent to First Nations and regional INAC officials have made verbal presentations to Regional Chiefs' meetings of the Union of Ontario Indians; and

WHEREAS the Chiefs do not want to read an INAC review of LRT, but instead would prefer that the Union of Ontario Indians analyse INAC's LRT package, incorporating comments made on the LRT issue by the Assembly of First Nations' staff.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek direct the Union of Ontario Indians to develop a proposal to produce a comprehensive analysis of the LRT Review and that this report be sent to all member First Nations for their information; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek request that the INAC Regional Office make available the necessary financial resources for those First Nations of the Union of Ontario Indians who are presently negotiating for the comprehensive administration of their LRT programs, specifically: Whitefish River, Whitefish Lake and Nipissing First Nations.

MOVED BY: CHIEF LEONA NAHWEGAHBOW, WHITEFISH RIVER
FIRST NATION

SECONDED BY: CHIEF NORMAN AGUONIE, SHEGUIANDAH FIRST NATION

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #36:

ONTARIO PROVINCIAL POLICE

(OPP) HARASSMENT

WHEREAS First Nations of Robinson-Superior Region of the Union of the Ontario Indians have heard continuous accounts of harassment of Indian people concerning false accusations of hunting by OPP Constables at the Nipigon Detachment; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Government is presently investigating police attitudes towards specific minority groups in Ontario.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek demand an investigation be conducted and a report be prepared for the Chiefs of First Nations served by this detachment with reference to harassment of Indian people; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Union of Ontario Indians' Director of Intergovernmental Affairs be mandated to determine the most appropriate body to conduct an investigation with the input of First Nations of the Robinson-Superior Region; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT upon conclusion of this report it will be circulated to the Union of Ontario Indians and the local First Nations for any further action.

MOVED BY: CHIEF ROGER ONAKANAKIS, SANDPOINT FIRST NATION
SECONDED BY: CHIEF ROY MICHANO, OJIBWAYS OF THE PIC RIVER FIRST NATION

2 ABSTENTIONS

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #37:

SUPPORT FOR BINOJEHNUK
ENDAHJIK

WHEREAS the Chiefs of the Anishinabek support the continued existence of BinojehnuK Endahjik - a Native young offenders open custody facility; and

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has decided without consultation with First Nations that:

1. Major changes to its open custody, culturally specific residential programs for Native young offenders are necessary;
2. Benefits from the program are negligible; and
3. The number of Native young offenders do not warrant the cost of operating BinojehnuK Endahjik; and

WHEREAS these actions are contrary to First Nations' experience and contrary to the Provincial Government's corporate policy dealing with Native issues.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek support the efforts of BinojehnuK Endahjik to operate an open custody young offenders' facility.

MOVED BY: CHIEF HOWARD JONES, CHIPPEWAS OF NAWASH
FIRST NATION

SECONDED BY: CHIEF PHILLIP MANESS, CHIPPEWAS OF SARNIA
FIRST NATION

CARRIED

RESOLUTION #38:

DIRECTION TO CHIEFS' COMMITTEE
ON CROWN LANDS

WHEREAS the Provincial Government is developing a policy called "Crown Lands as a Development Tool"; and

WHEREAS the Chiefs' Committee on Crown Lands has put forward options for action and requires direction from the Chiefs of the Anishinabek; and

WHEREAS the Chiefs-in-Assembly have considered various legal and policy options as outlined in the meeting material for the Anishinabek Grand Council 1989; and

WHEREAS the Chiefs conclude that the legal options should not be considered until the Indian and Northern Affairs Canada Lands, Revenues and Trust Review is completed as it will affect legal questions relating to Crown Lands.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek accept a combination of Option One and Option Two, as outlined in the meeting materials of the Anishinabek Grand Council 1989, in order that the individual First Nations will have the ability to initiate a legal injunction, based on land claims, to remove the exemption from environmental assessment in order to stall the implementation of the "Crown Lands as a Development Tool" policy, while pursuing negotiations with the Province for a more appropriate policy; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the
Chiefs of the Anishinabek direct the
Chiefs' Committee on Crown Lands to
follow-up on this Resolution.

MOVED BY: CHIEF ROGER JONES, SHAWANAGA FIRST NATION
SECONDED BY: CHIEF ROY MICHANO, OJIBWAYS OF THE PIC RIVER
FIRST NATION

CARRIED.

DRAFT RESOLUTION #10:

ANISHINABEK LEGAL DEFENSE
PROGRAM

WHEREAS the Anishinabek are consistently being harassed and charged with Provincial and Federal violations notwithstanding the existence of Anishinabek aboriginal and treaty rights; and

WHEREAS the efforts of the Provincial and Federal Governments to establish their own jurisdiction through legal case law precedents must be resisted; and

WHEREAS there is recognition by all First Nations of the need for a concentrated and coordinated legal defense program to safeguard and enhance aboriginal and treaty rights; and

WHEREAS the present Legal Defense Fund is being coordinated by the Anishinabek Executive Council as the Fund's Review Board; and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Executive Council and the Union of Ontario Indians' Intergovernmental Affairs Program have presented the Legal Defense Council Proposal to the leadership of the Anishinabek.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chiefs of the Anishinabek endorse the establishment of the Anishinabek Legal Defense Program; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Draft Terms of Reference for the future Fund Review Board, including the authority to implement this program and allocate resources for defense of legal charges, is hereby adopted by the Grand Council; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Fund Review Board be directed to proceed with the appointment of a Legal Defense Council of lawyers to carry out the legal defense upon direction of the Review Board; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the Fund Review Board, with technical assistance of the Union of Ontario Indians' staff, prepare a progress report of all activities and accomplishments for the next Anishinabek Grand Council.

MOVED BY: CHIEF LEROY DOLSON, MUNSEE-DELAWARE FIRST
NATION
SECONDED BY: MARTHA ALBERT, ACTING CHIEF, CHIPPEWAS OF
THE THAMES FIRST NATION

WITHDRAWN.