SUBJECT: AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 1999/2000.

MOVED BY: WHEREAS the Union of Ontario Indians Finance Committee has reviewed and recommended for approval, the March 31, 2000 audited financial statements for the Union of Ontario Indians, the Anishinabek Nation Seventh Generation Charities and the Anishinabek Nation Management Group Inc., and;

SECONDED BY:

WHEREAS the Union of Ontario Indians Board of Directors has approved the recommendation of the Finance Committee.

Vernon Roote Grand Council Chief

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly do hereby approve the principles of the auditor's review of the Union of Ontario Indians, the Anishinabek Nation Seventh Generation Charities and the Anishinabek Nation Management Group Inc.

Nelson Toulouse Deputy Grand Council Chief

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SUBJECT: AUDIT SERVICES

- **MOVED BY:** WHEREAS the Union of Ontario Indians Finance Committee has recommended the firm of Grant Thornton for the provision of audit services for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2001.
- SECONDED BY: THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly approve that the services of the firm Grant Thornton be secured to prepare the March 31, 2001 audited financial statements of the Union of Ontario Indians, the Anishinabek Nation Seventh Generation Charities and the Anishinabek Nation Management Group Inc.

Vernon Roote Grand Council Chief

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Nelson Toulouse Deputy Grand Council Chief

SUBJECT: CLOSING OF NOMINATIONS FOR GRAND COUNCIL CHIEF

MOVED BY:WHEREAS the Chief Electoral Officer has called threeMarcel Donio,times for nominations for the position of Grand CouncilRocky Bay FirstChief; and,

WHEREAS there were no further nominations made;

SECONDED BY: Chief Glen Hare, M'Chigeeng First Nation

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Vernon Roote Grand Council Chief

Nélson Toulouse Deputy Grand Council Chief

Chief Glen Hare, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the nominations **M'Chigeeng First** for the position of Grand Council Chief be closed.

SUBJECT: CLOSING OF NOMINATIONS FOR DEPUTY GRAND CHIEF

MOVED BY: WHEREAS the Chief Electoral Officer has called three times for nominations for the position of Deputy Grand Chief; and,

SECONDED BY: WHEREAS there were no further nominations made;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the nominations **C** for the position of Deputy Grand Chief be closed.

Vernon Roote Grand Council Chief

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Nelson Toulouse Deputy Grand Council Chief

SUBJECT: GOVERNANCE AND EDUCATION MODELS AND CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR NEGOTIATIONS

MOVED BY:
Chief JohnWHEREAS the Anishinabek Nation is currently involved
in negotiations on Governance and Education; andBeaucage
Wasauksing First
NationWHEREAS the Anishinaabe Anokiiwin Aanokiitoojig –
Anishinabek Nation Governance Committee - has been
mandated to provide direction and guidance in these
negotiations; and

SECONDED BY:WHEREAS the Anishinaabe Anokiiwin AanokiitoojigChief Weshas been considering various governance models and
constitutional components in these negotiations; andAlderville Firsthas been considering various governance models and
constitutional components in these negotiations; and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Nation has undertaken to proceed in these negotiations with community based invervement.

Vernon Roote Grand Council Chief

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of Ontario Indians submit proposals to pursue funds in support of regional workshops hosted by the Union of Ontario Indians for community delegates to consider governance models and constitutions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Union of Ontario Indians direct that the Education and Governance Community Facilitators also bring the issue of governance models and constitutions to the membership.

Nelson Toulouse Deputy Grand Council Chief

SUBJECT: CHIEFS COMMITTEE ON RESTRUCTURING REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION TO CREATE RESTRUCTURING TASK FORCE.

MOVED BY: Chief Laurence Boyer, Mississauga #8 First Nation WHEREAS under Anishinabek Nation Grand Council resolution 99/11 the Chiefs Committee on Restructuring was mandated to review the Constitutional by-laws of the Union of Ontario Indians to reflect the goals, objectives and discussions that have altered the matters of policy and process of the Chiefs and/or directors of the Corporation; and

SECONDED BY: Chief Norm Shawnoo, Chippewas of Kettle and Stony Point

Vernon Roote Grand Council Chief

Nelson Toulouse Deputy Grand Council Chief

WHEREAS under Anishinabek Nation Grand Council resolution 99/11 the Chiefs Committee on Restructuring was mandated to review possible options and to bring options back to the Chiefs in assembly at the next Anishinabek Nation Grand Council; and

WHEREAS the Chiefs Committee on Restructuring has met and reviewed the scope, magnitude and depth of the goals, objectives and discussions that concern restructuring; and

WHEREAS the Chiefs Committee on Restructuring has outlined a systematic implementation strategy for approaching the restructuring issue; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Nation Chiefs in Assembly create a Restructuring Task Force chaired by the Deputy Grand Chief and comprised of Regional Grand Chiefs and/or their designates and technical people to address restructuring in greater detail; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Restructuring Task Force implement a three year process as per the attached "Recommendation" Document that was described and provided to the Chiefs in assembly.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chiefs direct that an immediate advocacy model be implemented as an interim measure.

SUBJECT: DESTRUCTION OF BALLOTS

MOVED BY:WHEREAS the Anishinabek Nation held elections forMarcel Doniothe Grand Council Chief and Deputy Grand ChiefProxyaccording to the accepted rules and procedures of theRocky Bay FirstAnishinabek Grand Council; and,NationNation

WHEREAS Vernon Roote has been declared the Grand Council Chief; and,

WHEREAS Nelson Toulouse has been declared the Deputy Grand Chief,

SECONDED BY: Chief Norman Shawnoo, Chippewas of Kettle and Stony Point

Vernon Roote Grand Council Chief

Nelson Toulouse Deputy Grand Council Chief

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Chiefs in Assembly close the election procedures and order that the ballots be destroyed.

SUBJECT: Anishinabe Language Commission

MOVED BY: Chief Glen Hare M'Chigeeng First Nation

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Nation asserts that it is a sacred duty to ensure the well being of the people to the 7th generation and that it is incumbent upon the leadership to ensure this sacred duty is honoured on behalf of the Anishinabek Nation; and

WHEREAS part of this sacred duty is the preservation of the Anishinabe language so that it does not become endangered language; and

SECONDED BY: Chief Lyle Sayers Ojibways of Garden River

Vernon Roote land

Grand Council Chief

Nélson Toulouse Deputy Grand Council Chief

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Nation asserts that, as indigenous peoples of the Ojibway/Chippewa, Odawa, Potowatomi, Algonquin, Delaware and Mississaugi Tribal Nations, it possesses a shared sense of aboriginal identity and is united through historic origin, language, culture, traditions, beliefs and values; and

WHEREAS language is integral to the identity of the Anishinabek Nation and therefore must become an integral part of all initiatives related to the health, social and economic welfare/status of the citizens/members of the Anishinabek Nation and in all initiatives whose goal is to advance the rights of the Anishinabek Nation including treaty research, self-government negotiations, political advocacy with the Canadian federal, provincial, and other governments; and **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly direct that the Union of Ontario Indians Board portfolio holder for education strike a committee comprised of representatives from all cultural and language institutions operating within Anishinabek Nation Territory to conduct discussions on the development of the Anishinabe language commission; and,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabe Language Commission shall be responsible for addressing Anishinabe language issues, translation services, education and for reviewing the Anishinabe language provisions in all self-government agreements; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Chiefs in Assembly direct that the activities of the Committee be consistent with the Nation Building, Restructuring and Governance initiatives.

SUBJECT: FIRST NATION HIV/AIDS PROTOCOL DEVELOPMENT

MOVED BY:
Chief Glen Hare,
M'Chigeeng FirstWHEREAS there has been a draft Anishinabek
AIDS/HIV Protocol circulated to UOI First Nations for
over five years and the UOI Health/Program has
supplied resources to First Nations to adapt this
Anishinabek Protocol for their own use in their
communities; and,

SECONDED BY: Chief Harvey Petahtegoose, Whitefish Lake First Nation **WHEREAS** to date, there have been eight protocols drafted and only six protocols ratified out of forty three First Nations in Anishinabek territory; and,

Vernon Roote

Grand Council Chief

Nelson Toulouse Deputy Grand Council Chief WHEREAS the situation has become even more critical since new Epidemiological AIDS Infection statistics for Aboriginal people has been released and they indicate that the likelihood of First Nations to be faced with crisis situations in their home communities that will require policy decisions by the Chief and Council is great.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that every Anishinabek First Nation delegate at the Anishinabek Nation Grand Council, in Wasauksing, make the commitment that upon returning to their home community, they will initiate their own community development of this protocol.

SUBJECT: ANISHINABEK ASSISTANCE FOR THOSE FIRST NATIONS WITHOUT HEALTH FUNDING

MOVED BY: Robert Corbiere Proxy Wikwemikong Unceded Nation WHEREAS there are Anishinabek First Nations who have not been allocated health funding for Home Care and other Health programs in Ontario; and,

WHEREAS the Union of Ontario Indians Executive Council has formally objected to Medical Services Branch Assistant Deputy Minister on this issue and have not received any indication as to any change in funding policy by the federal government; and,

SECONDED BY: Chief Glen Hare M'Chigeeng First Nation

Vernon Roote Grand Council Chief

Nelson Toulouse Deputy Grand Council Chief

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Health Commission has developed an Anishinabek Health Distribution Formula, for submission to the Union of Ontario Indians Board of Directors for these dollars directed to the Anishinabek Nation from federal and provincial governments which have to be distributed to UOI First Nations.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Grand Council gives direction, in principle, to assist those First Nations without health funding (on global programming); and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Health Commission/UOI Health Program is directed to adjust each First Nation's health program allocation to create surpluses that can be directed to those Anishinabek First Nations without such funding, according to the principles of the Anishinabek Health Distribution Formula and will be accountable to the UOI Board of Directors.

SUBJECT: ANISHINABEK HEALTH COMMISSION ACCOUNTABILITY/GOVERNANCE DOCUMENTS

MOVED BY: WHEREAS the Anishinabek Health Commission/UOI Health Program created two major accountability documents:

- 1/ Anishinabek Health Commission Governance Policy (Internal);
- 2/ Anishinabek Health Commission Strategic Plan; and
- **SECONDED BY:** WHEREAS the Health Board, First Nations and Board of Directors have reviewed these two documents and approved them after making several amendments to them during the 1999-2000 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Health Commission/UOIHealth Program tabled these two major accountabilityWITHDRAWNCouncil Assembly, May 2000; and

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Health Commission recommends that Anishinabek Nation Grand Council ratify these two documents; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that these two documents are accepted by the Grand Council and they be implemented as working documents for the business of the Anishinabek Health Commission/UOI Health Program.

SUBJECT: GREAT LAKES HERITAGE COAST

MOVED BY:WHEREAS the Chiefs of the Anishinabek NationChief Albert Cadaopposed the actions of the Ontario government duringSheshegwaningthe development of the Lands for Life land use strategy;First Nationand,

WHEREAS the Great Lakes Heritage Coast has been announced as the latest lands initiative by the province of Ontario and is a part of Ontario's Living Legacy, the product of the Lands for Life process; and,

SECONDED BY: Chief Roy Michano Ojibways of Pic River

WHEREAS the traditional territory of no less than 25 Anishinabek First Nations may be affected by the Great Lakes Heritage Coast initiative; and,

Vernon Roote Grand Council Chief **WHEREAS** the Union of Ontario Indians has developed a strategy to inform affected First Nations about the potential impacts of this initiative and obtain feedback in order to develop an informed position and strategy on behalf of the Anishinabek Nation.

Nelson Toulouse Deputy Grand Council Chief

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs direct that upon completion of this position and strategy, it be reviewed and approved by the Union of Ontario Indians Board of Directors and communicated to all affected First Nations; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Anishinabek Nation leadership communicate this position directly to the Premier of Ontario and Minister of Natural Resources.

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ANISHINABEK GRAND COUNCIL Wasauksing First Nation May 30, 31, June 1, 2000

SUBJECT: NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

MOVED BY:WHEREAS the Union of Ontario Indians is advocatesRobert Corbiere,on numerous natural resource management issuesProxyfacing all First Nations across Anishinabek territory;Wikwemikongand,Unceded Nationfacing all First Nations across Anishinabek territory;

WHEREAS the number of issues being faced by First Nations continues to increase as the Government of Ontario implements Ontario's Living Legacy and other planning initiatives; and,

SECONDED BY: Chief Patrick Madahbee Ojibways of Sucker Creek

WHEREAS there is a need to have a major forum to discuss these issues.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of Ontario Indians seek funding to coordinate and host a major natural resources management conference within Anishinabek Nation territory within a six-month period.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon funding being received, a technical committee be formed to develop the agenda and structure for the conference.

Vernon Roote Grand Council Chief

Nelson Toulouse Deputy Grand Council Chief

SUBJECT: ANISHINABEK GUN LICENCING STRATEGY

MOVED BY: WHEREAS the Government of Canada has Chief Patrick implemented the Canada Firearms Act, 1999; and, Madahbee **Ojibways** of WHEREAS this legislation will require all firearms Sucker Creek

owners to obtain licences in order to possess firearms and purchase ammunition; and,

SECONDED BY: **Proxy Robert** Corbiere Wikwemikong **Unceded Nation** **WHEREAS** this legislation will empower peace officers and Conservation Officers to confiscate firearms from those individuals who do not possess a licence and charge that person with a criminal offence; and,

WHEREAS the process for applying for a licence is onerous and will place an increased burden on First Nation harvesters in exercising their Aboriginal and Treaty rights; and

WHEREAS practical avenues for prevention of the implementation of this legislation have been exhausted.

Vernon Roote Grand Council Chief

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs direct the Union of Ontario Indians to pursue the designation of a Chief Firearms Officer for the Anishinabek Nation; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Union of Ontario Indians develop a communications plan to ensure Anishinabek harvesters receive all relevant information on this initiative.

Nelson Toulouse **Deputy Grand Council Chief**

SUBJECT: ENVIRONMENTAL PARTNERSHIPS

MOVED BY:WHEREAS the Anishinabek people have constitutionallyChief Joeprotected Aboriginal and Treaty rights that include a CreatorMiskokomon,based responsibility to protect Mother Earth; and,

WHEREAS the Government of Ontario continues to reduce its commitment to environmental protection and the Government of Canada has never met its fiduciary duty to protect Anishinabek reserve and traditional territories from environmental degradation; and,

SECONDED BY: Chief Roy Michano Ojibways of Pic River

Chippewas of the

Thames

Vernon Roote Grand Council Chief

Nelson Toulouse Deputy Grand Council Chief

WHEREAS Anishinabek First Nations have been subject to a number of environmental challenges both on reserve and within their traditional territories including landfill sites, fuel handling, the rapid depletion of natural resources, urban sprawl, industrial pollution, nuclear waste and a host of other environmentally disturbing events and activities; and,

WHEREAS the Ojibways of Pic River and the London District Chiefs Council are currently embroiled in separate municipal environmental decision-making processes that have completely ignored their rights and interests; and,

WHEREAS the Union of Ontario Indians has formed a technical committee to look at the development of an environmental strategy that would coordinate and guide the evolution of an Anishinabek approach to environmental stewardship.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Chiefs in Assembly direct the Union of Ontario Indians to develop a central Anishinabek environmental strategy; and, **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Chiefs in Assembly direct the Union of Ontario Indians to develop a central Anishinabek environmental strategy; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chiefs in Assembly direct that the environmental strategy emphasize the development of:

- Environmental partnerships with outside agencies;
- Environmental stewardship capacity for the entire Anishinabek Nation Territory - in particular the First Nations, Tribal Council and Union of Ontario Indians' levels;
- An environmental public awareness campaign for Anishinabek communities; and
- Core environmental education curriculum in conjunction with the Anishinabek Education Institute; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Chiefs in Assembly direct that the environmental strategy be consistent with the Nation Building, Restructuring and Governance initiatives.

SUBJECT: SUPPORT FOR A COMBINATION FUEL AND STATUS CARD

MOVED BY: Chief Glen Hare M'Chigeeng First Nation

WHEREAS the Anishinabek Nation supports the efforts of the First Nation Independent fuel handlers Association to improve upon the existing "white card" system of tax exemption for the First Nations people; and

SECONDED BY: Chief Leona Nahwegabow Whitefish River First Nation **WHEREAS** the Anishinabek Nation Chiefs in assembly have expressed the need to expedite the return of tax rebates for fuel; and

WHEREAS interim measures are required until First Nation tax immunity is recognized by other governments; and

WHEREAS the status card system needs to be modernized and improved upon.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Nation Chiefs in assembly direct the Union of Ontario Indians to pursue external funding to develop a pilot project for the creation of a combination status card and Gas/fuel Card; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Union of Ontario Indians political office provide the necessary support for this issue.

Vernon Roote Grand Council Chief

Nelson Toulouse Deputy Grand Council Chief

SUBJECT: WAHNAPITAE FIRST NATION - AMEND BILL 62

MOVED BY:WHEREAS, Wahnapitae First Nation submitted aChief Lyle SayersSpecific Boundary Claim in June 1996 to Canada and
Ontario claiming that the reservation as surveyed in
1885, is considerably smaller that was intended by the
parties to the Robinson-Huron Treaty in 1850;

WHEREAS this claim relates to lands and water within the bounds of the Wahnapitae watershed (upper and lower); and,

SECONDED BY: Chief Tim Restoule Dokis First Nation

Vernon Roote

Vernon Roote Grand Council Chief

Nelson Toulouse Deputy Grand Council Chief

WHEREAS Wahnapitae First Nation has entered into agreements with the following Provincial Government Departments: the Ministry of the Environment; the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines and the Ministry of Natural Resources for the purpose of ensuring that there is fair and reasonable notification/consultation on issues within their respective authorities; and,

WHEREAS, Bill 25, received Royal Assent on December 22, 1999, and although the *City of Greater Sudbury Act,* 1999 (which was Schedule "A" to Bill 25) has been enacted, not all its parts are in force. Those parts of the legislation concerning the establishment of the city do not come into force until January 1, 2001 which involves the inclusion of the unincorporated Townships of Fraleck, Parkin, Alymer, Mackelcan, Rathbun, and Scadding in the north within the boundaries of Greater Sudbury which are located within the above mentioned claim area; and, WHEREAS, the Wahnapitae First Nation has major significant concerns over the inclusion of the six townships within the new "City of Greater Sudbury." At the most, the availability of a number of settlement options would be eliminated, and that Ontario having recently released their "Land Claim Fact Sheets" have made it clear that it would be even more sensitive to the new city's concerns and, accordingly, the number of options available to the parties (including "public involvement") would be further reduced; and

WHEREAS, no party yet knows with any certainty what the new city may have in store for the six townships by way of planning, land use development, services, etc. nor how these plans may affect the First Nations Aboriginal or Treaty rights,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly petition the Province of Ontario to amend Bill 62 currently before the eastern boundary of the new "City of Greater Sudbury" to reflect the concerns of the Wahnapitae First Nation.

SUBJECT: SUPPORT FOR CHIPPEWAS OF THE THAMES APPLICATION TO CANADA HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

MOVED BY:WHEREAS delivery of health services to First Nations isChief Joeof critical importance and often doesn't meet the needsMiskokomon,the First Nations; and,Chippewas ofchippewas of

WHEREAS technological advances have increased the availability of care to remote First Nations across Canada; and,

SECONDED BY:WHEREAS the Chippewas of the Thames have pursued
a partnership arrangement with major corporations
including Bell Canada to deliver Health services through
application to the Canada Health Infrastructure
Partnership Program.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anishinabek Chiefs in Assembly support the Chippewas of the Thames First Nation in their application to the Canada Health Infrastructure Partnership Program to pursue this technological development to deliver health services across Canada.

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Vernon Roote Grand Council Chief

Nelson Toulouse Deputy Grand Council Chief

SUBJECT: SUPPORT FOR FIRST NATION STUDENTS & TEACHERS

MOVED BY:WHEREAS Anishinabek culture and language are a
priority for the Anishinabek Nation; andNahwegabowWHEREAS there is a long history of discrimination

WHEREAS there is a long history of discrimination against First Nations people with respect to their culture and language; and

SECONDED BY: Chief Glen Hare M'Chigeeng First Nation

First Nation

WHEREAS the Chiefs in assembly have been advised that Anishinabek Nation students and teachers have recently experienced discrimination with respect to resource allocation for language teaching, have been asked to remove posters that represent our culture and language from schools, excluded from group pictures and excluded our language teachers from staff meetings.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs in Assembly direct that schools and school boards which have Anishinabek Nation students and teachers undertake to ensure that First Nation languages and culture are given the highest priority and all forms of direct and indirect discrimination be stopped.

Vernon Roote Grand Council Chief

Nélson Toulouse Deputy Grand Council Chief