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**JUNE-95.01
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Moved by:

Chief Bill Traverse
Jackhead First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Peter Yellowquill
Long Plain First Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: WAIVER OF REGISTRATION FOR
VOTING ELIGIBILITY**

WHEREAS, there are two Election rules and procedures that require a waiver for the election of A.F.N. Vice-Chief, Manitoba Region; and

WHEREAS, Rule 2(b) of the Election rules and procedures which were adopted by the Assembly at the last annual meeting stipulates:

The closing date for nominations shall be at least ten (10) working days before the election date; and

WHEREAS, the notice for nominations calculated the closing date at 10 days and not 10 working days. Therefore, for this election only, we require a waiver to this rule indicating that nominations closed 10 days prior to election date; and

WHEREAS, Rule 7(b) states:

Only registered official delegates shall be allowed to vote. Registration for voting eligibility will close at 1:00 p.m. on election day; and

WHEREAS, due to the heavy agenda of the Assembly, it has been requested that the election registration and voting take place at 8:00 a.m. on election day rather than at 1:00 p.m.

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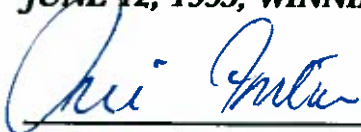
**RE: WAIVER OF REGISTRATION FOR
VOTING ELIGIBILITY (Continued)**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the closing date for nominations be changed from 10 working days to 10 days; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the registration for voting eligibility be changed from 1:00 p.m. on election day to 8:00 a.m. on election day; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that these two waivers are effective for this election only.

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JUNE-95.02

Moved by:

Chief Bill Traverse
Jackhead First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Oliver Nelson
Roseau River First Nation

MOTION CARRIED

RE: HEALTH FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, on February 16th, 1995, the Federal Minister of Health refused to sign the Health Framework Agreement; and

WHEREAS, immediately following this occurrence, the Chiefs directed the Grand Chief to seek the intervention of the Prime Minister; and

WHEREAS, the Prime Minister's office only responded to the Grand Chief's written request by sending an acknowledgement letter.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs in Assembly direct the Grand Chief to renew efforts to get the Prime Minister's support for the signing of the Health Framework Agreement document; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the A.M.C. Secretariat be directed to research the 1945 transfer of Indian Health Services to the Department of Health and Welfare with specific attention to the effect of this transfer on our Treaty Right to Health.

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JUNE-95.03

Moved by:

Chief Sydney Garrioch
Cross Lake First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Frank Abraham
Little Black River First Nation

MOTION CARRIED

RE: HEALTH FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, on February 16th, 1995, the Federal Minister of Health refused to sign the Health Framework Agreement as previously mediated and accepted; and

WHEREAS, subsequent efforts to re-establish movement on the Health Framework Agreement have to date been unsuccessful; and

WHEREAS, on June 2nd, 1995, an unsigned, draft June 1st, 1995 letter from Grand Chief Phil Fontaine to Health Minister Diane Marleau was circulated to all Chiefs; and

WHEREAS, this letter was an effort to have the Minister of Health sign the Health Framework Agreement without compromising any of the principles or objectives of the Health Framework Agreement.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Grand Chief Phil Fontaine be directed to sign the letter and send it immediately to Health Minister Diane Marleau with a copy to Indian Affairs Minister Ron Irwin.

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JUNE-95.04

Moved by:

Chief Bill Traverse
Jackhead First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Harold Turner
Grand Rapids First Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: MEDICAL SERVICES BRANCH -
BUDGETARY THREATS**

WHEREAS, the February 1995 Federal Budget placed arbitrary and inadequate limits on the Medical Services Branch expenditures for the next three years; and

WHEREAS, the Minister of Health has invited participation by First Nations with her Department to determine how to keep expenditures within these limits; and


WHEREAS, the Chiefs Health Committee recommends non-acceptance of these budgetary limits and rejection of the Minister of Health's invitation; and

WHEREAS, the Chiefs Health Committee recommends specific action be taken to change the government's budgetary decisions as they apply to health services for First Nation people.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Manitoba Chiefs in Assembly reject the invitation of the Federal Minister of Health to participate in the budget capping exercise called the National Framework; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the May 25th, 1995 Plan of Action proposed by the Chiefs Health Committee be endorsed and implemented with due speed and diligence.

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JUNE-95.05

Moved by:

RE: NATIONAL HEALTH POLICY

Chief Bill Traverse
Jackhead First Nation

WHEREAS, the Liberal Government during the 1993 Federal Election Campaign promised to:

Seconded by:

Chief Sydney Garrioch
Cross Lake First Nation

"Initiate a comprehensive health policy, designed by and for Aboriginal peoples, which supports an integrated approach to dealing with physical and mental health issues and incorporates traditional healing methods"; and

MOTION CARRIED

WHEREAS, as a result of the Liberal Government promise, the Assembly of First Nations in F.Y. 94/95, has distributed a draft document entitled Discussion Paper on the Development of a First Nation Health Policy for Consultation with First Nations for discussion, comment and feedback from First Nations.

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Phil Fontaine, Grand Chief

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JUNE-95.06

Moved by:

Chief Louis Malcolm
Ebb & Flow First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Frank Abraham
Little Black River
First Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: ESTABLISHMENT OF A C.H.R.
ASSOCIATION IN MANITOBA**

WHEREAS, the Community Healthy Representatives (C.H.R.'s) of Manitoba require a unified system to work collectively to address C.H.R. issues; and

WHEREAS, there is no current system in effect to address the C.H.R. goals and objectives as it relates to the C.H.R. profession.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs support the planning, development and implementation process of a C.H.R. Association in Manitoba.

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National Health
Policy
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JUNE-95.07

Moved by:

Chief Philip Buck
Mosakahiken First Nation

**RE: CHIEFS COMMITTEE ON WOMEN'S
ISSUES AND THE DISMANTLING
FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT**

Seconded by:

Chief Peter Yellowquill
Long Plain First Nation

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs affirms the need for First Nations women involvement in the self-government process by establishing a Chief's Committee called the First Nations Women's Committee.

MOTION CARRIED

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the A.M.C. Secretariat secure technical and financial support to enable this Committee to operate effectively.

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JUNE-95.08

Moved by:

Chief Sydney Garrioch
Cross Lake First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Harvey Nepinak
Waterhen First Nation

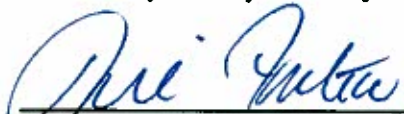
RE: A.M.C. REVIEW COMMITTEE REPORT

WHEREAS, the Chiefs-in-Assembly have been presented with a report and recommendations from the A.M.C. Review Committee.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the recommendations of the A.M.C. Review Committee are hereby adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

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Report from the AMC Review Committee

12 June 1995

The AMC Review Committee was mandated by the 5th Annual Assembly to review and make recommendations to improve the effectiveness of AMC and its Secretariat. The Review Committee's recommendations were reported and adopted by the Chiefs in Assembly in September 1994. Since then, the Executive Council of AMC the Executive Director of AMC Secretariat have referred further issues for consideration by the Review Committee.

Membership of the Winnipeg Council of First Nations

The Winnipeg Council of First Nations (earlier known as Winnipeg First Nations Tribal Council) has been afforded full privileges to attend and vote at all Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs meetings (by resolution June.92-01). Concerns have been raised that this arrangement is not consistent with the representation of off-reserve members and interests by the Chiefs and Councils of First Nations. Further concerns relate to the inconsistency of representation by a service/technical type organization in a political forum of Chiefs. As well, it is recognized that off-reserve and portability issues are not restricted to the City of Winnipeg.

The AMC Review Committee Recommends:

- ◆ That the resolution of June.92-01 be rescinded.
- ◆ That the Winnipeg Council of First Nations be recognized as an affiliated service oriented organization which may receive political support from AMC in pursuing the interests of First Nation members resident in Winnipeg.
- ◆ That due to the comprehensive nature of off-reserve and Treaty Right portability issues, the Executive Council of AMC assume responsibility for this portfolio.

AMC Council of Elders

The AMC Constitution provides for a Council of Elders. The AMC Review Committee recommends:

- ♦ That members of the AMC Executive Council identify Elders to form an AMC Council of Elders.
- ♦ That the Council of Elders be selected to reflect balanced representation of north and south, men and women and the languages of First Nations in Manitoba.

Election of Grand Chief

The AMC Review Committee has considered resolution Sept.94-17 which directs that future elections for AMC Grand Chief be by vote of the general First Nation electorate. The Review Committee consider that constitutional amendments necessary to implement this resolution may be deferred pending further discussion and analysis of the logistics and implications of such a general vote.

Outstanding Proposed Constitutional Amendments

Several proposed AMC Constitutional amendments which were tabled at the December, 1994 Special Chiefs Assembly were not addressed due to loss of quorum. The outstanding proposed amendments are as follows:

- ♦ **Addition of Clause 11.11**

Should an Executive Council Chief be unable to attend an Executive Council Meeting, he/she may designate in writing another Chief as proxy.

- ♦ **Addition of Clause 11.12**

Executive Council meetings shall be open to Chiefs who are not members of the Executive but may wish to participate in an ex-officio capacity.

- ♦ **Addition of Clause 13.2**

The Grand Chief is a member of the Executive Council of Chiefs and functions as a member of a collective leadership.

♦ **Addition of Clause 18.2**

The Executive Council of Chiefs will appoint Chiefs to various AMC Chiefs Committees as regular members.

♦ **Revision of Article 20**

This Constitution may be amended by a positive vote by at least 2/3 of the Chiefs or delegates of the member First Nations of AMC.

Note: The current amendment clause calls for a positive vote of 2/3 of delegates. This would mean 2/3 of a minimal quorum could change the constitution. The Review Committee consider that constitutional amendments should be supported by a substantial majority of the full membership of AMC.

The Review Committee Recommend:

- ♦ That the proposed outstanding amendments be adopted by resolution of the Chiefs-in-Assembly.

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Moved by:

Chief Dennis White Bird
Rolling River First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Arnold Ouskan
War Lake First Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: TREATY LAND ENTITLEMENT COMMITTEE
OF MANITOBA**

WHEREAS, the Treaty Land Entitlement (TLE) Committee of Manitoba is made up of twenty-two (22) Manitoba First Nations for whom Treaty Land Entitlement cases have been put forward, nineteen (19) of which have been recognized by Canada; and

WHEREAS, these nineteen (19) First Nations entered into a negotiating Protocol with Canada and Manitoba in October 1993 that outlined the structure of the negotiating process (concurrent bilateral), negotiating items, etc. This process aimed towards settlement of the outstanding Treaty Land Entitlements of the TLE Committee First Nations; and

WHEREAS, Canada is obligated under the terms of Treaty and the Canadian Constitution to obtain land to fulfill the promises made in the Treaties; and

WHEREAS, Manitoba is obligated under the Manitoba Natural Resources Act (1930) [now a schedule of the Canadian Constitution (1982)] to provide land to Canada to enable Canada to fulfil its Treaty obligations to provide land to the First Nations; and

WHEREAS, the TLE Committee has the mandate to negotiate a settlement agreement on behalf of its member First Nations, subject to their ratification.

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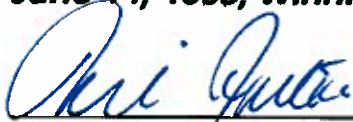
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**RE: TREATY LAND ENTITLEMENT COMMITTEE
OF MANITOBA (Continued)**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the First Nations of the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs do hereby affirm their support to the TLE Committee efforts to secure a fair and equitable settlement of the Treaty Land Entitlement issue as it affects the First Nations of the TLE Committee; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the First Nations of Manitoba request the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs to provide assistance and support to the TLE Committee as requested, to aid the Committee in its efforts to achieve settlement of the TLE issue in Manitoba.

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Moved by:

Proxy William G. Lathlin
Opaskwayak Cree Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Louis Stevenson
Peguis First Nation

MOTION CARRIED

RE: PROVINCIAL ROAD 384 REPORT

WHEREAS, Provincial Road #384 (known as the Moose Lake Road) is in extremely poor condition due to loose gravel, dust and washboard conditions; and

WHEREAS, this neglected road creates dangerous driving conditions and restricts access in and out of the community; and

WHEREAS, as a result of this poorly-maintained gravel road, numerous serious accidents have occurred including some fatalities; and

WHEREAS, the condition of Provincial Road #384 is indicative of the condition of most roads providing access to our First Nation communities; and

WHEREAS, the Mosakahiken First Nation, the Moose Lake Logging Company Ltd. and Repap Manitoba have requested the Provincial Department of Highways and Transportation to improve access to the forest resource area and the community of Moose Lake.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs support the Mosakahiken First Nation in their struggle to expedite the upgrading of Provincial Road #384; and

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RE: PROVINCIAL ROAD 384 REPORT (Con't)

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs Secretariat assist the Mosakahiken First Nation by coordinating the activities that will lead to the Provincial Department of Highways and Transportation improving Provincial Road #384.

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Moved by:

Chief Peter Yellowquill
Long Plain First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Jim Bear
Brokenhead First Nation

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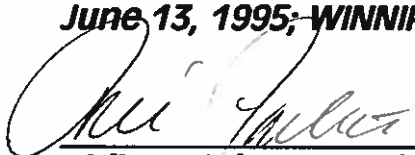
RE: ADULT CARE STUDY

WHEREAS, further to the A.M.C. Chiefs Health Committee meeting resolution (see attached) at Cross Lake, Manitoba on August 4 - 5, 1993 for a comprehensive Adult Care Study to be conducted on behalf of all First Nations of Manitoba which would be guided by a Steering Committee composed of Manitoba First Nations technical personnel; and

WHEREAS, at this time, it is in the best interest of expediting the comprehensive research and consulting process due to the time frame.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the study will now be guided by representatives composed of each Manitoba First Nations who are participating in the study.

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