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**OF** 

# ADOPTED RESOLUTIONS

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### **CERTIFIED RESOLUTION**

JULY-96.01

Moved by:

Chief Arnold Ouskan War Lake First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Bill Traverse Jackhead First Nation

**MOTION CARRIED** 

**RE: NATIONAL NURSING EDUCATION PROGRAM** 

WHEREAS, Manitoba Keewatinow Okimakanak (MKO) has secured a degree nursing program which is to be delivered at Norway House First Nation; and

WHEREAS, the degree nursing program will recruit First Nations applicants from throughout Manitoba and other Provinces; and

WHEREAS, the National Nursing Education Programs are comprised of the Northern Community Nursing Program, the Northern Clinical Program, and the Dalhouise Outpost Nursing Program; and

WHEREAS, after consultations with Medical Services Branch and Nursing Education Partners, the above noted program components were deemed appropriate for delivery with the degree nursing program; and

WHEREAS, the Chiefs of MKO mandated their Executive Council to secure the National Nursing Programs for administration under the auspices of MKO at their 15th Annual Assembly of July 2, 3 and 4, 1996.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs-In-Assembly support MKO in securing the National Nursing Education Program's transfer under the auspices of MKO.

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### **CERTIFIED RESOLUTION**

JULY-96.02

Moved by:

Chief Sydney Garrioch Cross Lake First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Bill Traverse Jackhead First Nation

**MOTION CARRIED** 

**RE: TRADITIONAL HEALERS PROGRAM** 

WHEREAS, Medical Services Branch proposed the transfer of the Traditional Healers Program to First Nations control; and

WHEREAS, the proposed allocation will be based on 75% of the current expenditures by the community with the remainder of the budget being allocated on the modified Berger formula; and

WHEREAS, First Nations were not prepared to make any decisions on the proposal until a further discussion has taken place with Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs and First Nations communities; and

WHEREAS, some of the First Nations are ready to assume control of the Traditional Healers Program; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs support the need for community consultation on the proposed transfer of the Traditional Healers Program for those communities who are at the consultation stage; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs direct Medical Services Branch to provide those First Nations communities with sufficient time and resources to adequately consult on the proposed transfer of the Traditional Healers Program;

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that Medical Service Branch provide resources for the development of policy, standards and guidelines for the Traditional Healers Program for those communities who are ready to assume control.

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### **CERTIFIED RESOLUTION**

JULY-96.03

Moved by:

Chief Ron Evans Norway House First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Sydney Garrioch Cross Lake First Nation

MOTION CARRIED

RE: BLUE CROSS CONTRACT - NON INSURED HEALTH BENEFITS

WHEREAS, The Liberty Health contract will be up for renewal July 1997; and

WHEREAS, the First Nations wish to submit a bid on the contract; and

WHEREAS, there are Insurance Companies with the expertise to augment the First Nations expertise.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs support the development of a bid on the contract by way of a joint venture with a Manitoba based Insurance company or through whatever other mechanism that may be decided upon.

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### CERTIFIED RESOLUTION

JULY-96.04

Moved by:

Chief Sydney Garrioch Cross Lake First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Ron Evans Norway House First Nation

MOTION CARRIED

RE: PROVINCIAL HEALTH REFORM PROCESS

WHEREAS, First Nations, Medical Services Branch and the Department of Indian Affairs participate in the Manitoba Health Reform process; and

WHEREAS, the First Nations need resources to participate in the Provincial Health Reform Process.

WHEREAS, Health is a Treaty Right and Aboriginal Right;

WHEREAS, Canada and Manitoba signed an agreement in 1964 to share responsibility for delivery of services to various First Nation and non-First Nation communities;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs supports participation of First Nations in the Manitoba Health Reform Process.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs request funding for First Nations participation in the Manitoba Health Reform Process.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Grand Chief of the Manitoba Keewatinowi Okimakanak and the Grand Chief of the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs give priority to health as a First Nation jurisdiction, Aboriginal Right and a Treaty Right.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, First Nation participation in the Manitoba Health Reform process will not abrogate or derogate from Aboriginal and Treaty Rights.

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### **CERTIFIED RESOLUTION**

JULY-96.05

Moved by:

Chief Sydney Garrioch Cross Lake First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief John R. Yellowback God's River First Nation

**MOTION CARRIED** 

**RE: HEALTH TRANSFER PROCESS** 

WHEREAS, First Nations in the process of assuming control of health services; and

WHEREAS, the Chiefs Committee on Health has identified the need to be involved in a joint decisionmaking/management process.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs mandate the establishment of a joint-decision/management process with Medical Services Branch.

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### **CERTIFIED RESOLUTION**

JULY-96.06

Moved by:

Chief Ron Evans Norway House First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Peter YellowQuill Long Plain First Nation

MOTION CARRIED

RE: IMPLEMENTATION OF FEDERAL FIRST NATIONS POLICING POLICY

WHEREAS, The Federal First Nations Policing Policy provides for implementation of First Nations controlled policing through tripartite agreements and joint Federal-Provincial funding; and

WHEREAS, Provincial Justice Minister Rosemary Vodrey has confirmed Manitoba's commitment to support implementation of First Nations policing programs as provided for in the Federal First Nations Policing Policy; and

WHEREAS, despite Minister Vodrey's commitments, the Province of Manitoba has failed to proceed expeditiously with negotiations of tripartite policing agreements.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs call upon both Canada and Manitoba to proceed with negotiations and implementation of First Nations police agreements; and

**FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Grand Chief and the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs Secretariat address this issue directly with provincial Justice Minister Vodrey.

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### **CERTIFIED RESOLUTION**

JULY-96.07

Moved by:

Chief Peter YellowQuill Long Plain First Nation

Seconded by:

Proxy Wesley Monias Hollow Water First Nation

MOTION CARRIED

RE: HEALTH FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, First Nations in Manitoba assert that health is an Aboriginal and Treaty Right, and;

WHEREAS, the future of the First Nations is based on healthy communities; and

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that Draft #6 of the Health Framework Agreement with the letters dated February 15th, 1995 and June 9th, 1996 be signed and actioned.

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### **CERTIFIED RESOLUTION**

JULY-96.08

Moved by:

Chief Oliver Nelson Roseau River First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Peter YellowQuill Long Plain First Nation

MOTION CARRIED

RE: DAKOTA OJIBWAY TRIBAL COUNCIL'S YOUTH WORK CORPS

WHEREAS, the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs wishes to improve the educational and training opportunities for First Nation youth; and

WHEREAS, the Dakota Ojibway Tribal Council has commissioned a feasibility study to develop an alternative, vocational, residential high school, namely the Youth Work Corps; and

WHEREAS, the feasibility study has been presented to the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs.

#### THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,

- 1. That the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs accepts and approves the findings of the feasibility study; and
- 2. That the Assembly supports the establishment of the Youth Work Corps in Manitoba; and
- 3. That the Assembly supports the presentation of the Youth Work Corps to funding agencies and First Nation organizations for their consideration and support for Manitoba; and
- 4. That the Assembly encourages funding agencies to provide funding for the development and establishment of the Youth Work Corps in Manitoba.

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### **CERTIFIED RESOLUTION**

JULY-96.09

Moved by:

Chief Peter YellowQuill Long Plain First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Francis Flett Opaskwayak Cree Nation

MOTION CARRIED

**RE: ACCOUNTABILITY STRUCTURE** 

WHEREAS, the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs passed Resolution #MAY-96.01 - F.A.I. Consultation Strategy for 1996/97 at the Special Assembly held in Dakota Tipi; and

WHEREAS, Resolution #MAY-96.01 directed the development of an accountability structure which outline the accountability and responsibilities of the F.A.I. office, Northern Office, Community Coordinator and the Chiefs and Councils and/or Tribal Councils.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs approve the accountability structure for the consultation funds as presented or variations acceptable to First Nations willing to complete the consultation process.

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