

**ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA CHIEFS
GENERAL CHIEFS ASSEMBLY**



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ADOPTED RESOLUTIONS**

**Sagkeeng First Nation
May 19, 20, & 21 2009**

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ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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CERTIFIED RESOLUTION

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RE: MANITOBA FIRST NATIONS TECHNOLOGY COUNCIL

Moved by:

Chief David McDougall
St. Theresa Point First
Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Donovan Fontaine
Sagkeeng First Nation

CARRIED

WHEREAS, the AMC Chiefs-in-Assembly have endorsed the long term Health & Wellness Strategy to ensure First Nations leadership in holistic health, including eHealth (Jan.01-05); and

WHEREAS, on February 9-11, 2009 representatives from 61 Manitoba First Nations, 7 Tribal Councils and 15 federal and provincial departments involved in eHealth, TeleHealth & Panorama recommended moving forward with plans for high speed internet access, two way connectivity and training for all 64 First Nations establishing a Manitoba First Nations Technology Council (MFNTC) for building partnerships, plans and communications to ensure the development and implementation of coordinated technology initiatives; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the AMC Chiefs-in-Assembly establish a MFNTC to provide advice and direction in utilizing electronic technology in First Nations health, education, economy and other sectors, and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the MFNTC be accountable to the AMC Chiefs-in-Assembly through the AMC Chiefs Task Force on Health, and provide written and electronic reports to all First Nations regularly; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the MFNTC proceed in a manner that: recognizes and respects the spirit and intent of First Nations Inherent and Treaty Rights; ensures that no trust or fiduciary responsibilities are abrogated or derogated, and adheres to self-determination principles including First Nations Ownership, Control, Access and Possession of their own data and resources; and

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RE: MANITOBA FIRST NATIONS TECHNOLOGY COUNCIL

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the mandate of the MFNTC include the development of a Manitoba First Nations Technology Plan which will address technology issues including:

- high-speed two way industrial grade internet connection; and
- connectivity of administrative offices, schools, health centers, community-owned facilities and residences; and
- development of technology skills and technical support in every community; and
- promotion of the use of technology as a tool for increased skills and opportunities in the digital age; and

FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED, that the AMC seek support from and work with the federal and provincial governments and the private and non-profit sectors in the development of a comprehensive Manitoba First Nations Technology Plan.

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SAGKEENG FIRST NATION, Manitoba



Grand Chief Ron Eyans

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RE: FISHERS LEGAL DEFENCE FUND – (WRTC) 2009 COURT CASE

Moved by:

Chief Derek Nepinak
Pine Creek First Nation

Seconded by:

Chief Norman Bone
Keeseekoowenin Ojibway
Nation

CARRIED

WHEREAS, First Nations people of the Traditional Territory of the Dauphin Lake drainage basin are represented by the Chiefs and Councils of the First Nations within the West Region Tribal Council (WRTC) and other southern First Nations including, but not limited to, Lake Manitoba First Nation, Wuskwi Sipiik First Nation and Sandy Bay First Nation; and

WHEREAS, the Province of Manitoba has assumed responsibility over natural resources and resource development under the Natural Resources Transfer Act (1930) which is contrary to Treaty obligations and to the exclusion of consultation with all Manitoba First Nations; and

WHEREAS, Manitoba conservation imposed conservation closure on the “catching and keeping” of pickerel on the Turtle River and Valley Rivers in the Dauphin Lake drainage basin from April 20, 2009 to May 5, 2009, pursuant to its delegated authority under s.13 of Manitoba Fishing Regulations under the Federal Fisheries Act; and

WHEREAS, Laws against “catching and keeping” pickerel infringe on the Inherent and Treaty Rights of First Nation fishers of the waters in the Dauphin Lake drainage as they have fished and maintained a sustainable fishery in said waters since time immemorial; and

WHEREAS, WRTC Chiefs have expressed concern that the reason for the closure is politically motivated and not out of conservation concern; and

WHEREAS, Data collection and science supporting the closure was collected, reviewed and summarized without First Nation participation and consultation; and

WHEREAS, WRTC Chiefs contend that contrary to Manitoba’s assertion of ‘meaningful consultation’ on the closure, no such consultations occurred, or, at best only a mere notice of an impending closure was announced; and

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RE: FISHERS LEGAL DEFENCE FUND – (WRTC) 2009 COURT CASE

WHEREAS, several First Nation citizens were turned away or discouraged from spring fishing within their traditional territory around the Dauphin Lake, including their tributaries which remained open, yet conservation enforcement officers threatened to charge First Nation fishers for angling other fish species in the closed tributaries; and

WHEREAS, on, or about April 26, 2009 two (2) First Nation citizens were charged under the conservation closure measure and are scheduled to appear in a Manitoba Provincial Court to face criminal sanction for exercising their Inherent and Treaty Rights; and

WHEREAS, Legal criminal sanction against a First Nation fisher is a matter of concern for all First Nations peoples and the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs-in-Assembly have a responsibility to uphold and exercise our Inherent and Treaty Rights.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs member First Nations give serious consideration to making a financial contribution to the Fishers Legal Defense Fund – WRTC 2009 Court Case to support the two First Nation citizens charged under the Manitoba Fishing Regulations.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, Financial contributions can be made directly to:

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Executive Director
West Region Tribal Council
P.O. Box 207
Erickson, MB R0J 0P0
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SAGKEENG FIRST NATION, Manitoba



Grand Chief Ron Evans

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MAY-09.10

RE: SPECIAL CHIEFS ASSEMBLY ON GAMING

Moved by:

Chief Murray Clearsky
Waywayseecappo First
Nation

WHEREAS, there are numerous outstanding issues as it relates to First Nations gaming in Manitoba; and

Seconded by:

Chief David McDougall
St. Theresa Point First
Nation

WHEREAS, these issues need to be discussed collectively amongst the First Nations of Manitoba; and

CARRIED

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the AMC Chiefs-in-Assembly call for a Special Chiefs Assembly on Gaming as soon as possible and no later than September 2009

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MAY-09.12

RE: SITE SELECTION PROCESS

Moved by:

Chief David Crate
Fisher River First Nation

Seconded by:

Proxy D'Arcy Linklater
Nisichawayasihk Cree
Nation

CARRIED

WHEREAS, based upon the review and recommendation of the 2000 Casino process and the resultant 2003 Joint Review by the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs and the Province of Manitoba, the Chiefs-in-Assembly passed Resolution Nov.07-10 for a Casino owned by all Manitoba First Nations; and

WHEREAS, through Resolution May.08-10 the Chiefs-in-Assembly mandated a Site Selection process to find suitable land to host the Southwestern Region Casino; and

WHEREAS, the Site Selection selected a prospective host on October 31, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the prospective host did not meet the conditions of the Site Selection Process; and

WHEREAS, Swan Lake First Nation have signed a Memorandum of Understanding to host the Casino as proposed by the Site Selection Process; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chiefs-in-Assembly support the decision of the Chiefs Gaming Committee to select Swan Lake First Nation as the host for the Southwestern Region Casino; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that all associated work on the project continue.

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