

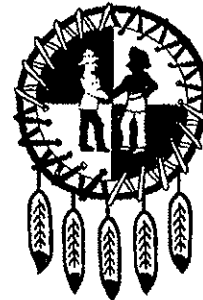
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TREATY No. 6



TREATY No. 7



TREATY No. 8

**ASSEMBLY OF TREATY CHIEFS
RESOLUTION**

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SUBJECT: SUPPORT FOR BEAVER LAKE EDUCATION

WHEREAS the Chiefs of Treaty No. 6, Treaty No. 7, Treaty No. 8 [Alberta] known as the Assembly of Treaty Chiefs did meet in a duly convened meeting held at the Fantasyland Conference Center in the City of Edmonton, Alberta on June 01 - 03, 2010; and

WHEREAS the Nations of Treaty No. 6, Treaty No. 7 and Treaty No. 8 (Alberta) have always exercised their inherent right to sovereignty and nationhood in implementing their Treaty Rights based on Treaty Principles; and

WHEREAS the Spirit and Intent of Treaty will last *"as long as the sun shines, the rivers flow and the grass grows"*; and

WHEREAS the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples speaks to the issues of Education and observance of Treaties in Articles 13, 14, 15 and 37 whereby it states in Articles 14 and 37:

Article 14:

1. *Indigenous Peoples have the right to establish and control their educational systems and institutions providing education in their own languages, in a manner appropriate to their cultural methods of teaching and learning.*
2. *Indigenous individuals, particularly children, have the right to all levels and forms of education of the State without discrimination,*
3. *States shall, in conjunction with indigenous Peoples, take effective measures, in order for indigenous individuals, particularly children, including those living outside their communities, to have access, when*

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possible, to an education in their own culture and provided in their own language.

Article 37:

1. ***Indigenous Peoples have the right to the recognition, observance and enforcement of Treaties, agreements and other constructive arrangements concluded with States or their successors and to have States honor and respect such treaties, agreements and other constructive arrangements.***
2. ***Nothing in this Declaration may be interpreted as diminishing or eliminating the rights of indigenous peoples contained in Treaties, agreements and other constructive arrangements.***

WHEREAS Education (lifelong learning) is a Treaty Right as guaranteed under Treaty No. 6 of 1876; and

WHEREAS the Leadership, Elders and citizens of Beaver Lake Cree Nation have pursued the dream of building a new school to replace the existing inadequate and outdated structure to better meet the educational needs of the students of Beaver Lake Cree Nation as set out in the attached document entitled "**History of New School Negotiations...**"; and

WHEREAS the continual stonewalling and "**band-aid**" approach of the Government of Canada through INAC violates the Spirit and Intent of Treaty with the potentially negative impacts on the present and future needs and aspirations of Beaver Lake Cree Nation in the area of Education (lifelong learning).

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Assembly of Treaty Chiefs (AOTC) hereby supports the Beaver Lake Cree Nation in their quest for the building of a new school facility and all the infrastructure needed to make quality lifelong learning a reality for the children and students of Beaver Lake Cree Nation.

FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED that the Assembly of Treaty Chiefs (AOTC) with this Resolution puts on notice the Government of Canada through INAC that the Nations of Treaty No. 6, Treaty No. 7 and Treaty No. 8 (Alberta) will no longer accept Treaty violations that compromise the present and future well-being of our most valuable resource, our children.

**MOVED BY: CHIEF ROSE LABOUCAN,
DRIFTPILE FIRST NATION**

**SECONDED BY: CHIEF CHARLES WEASEL HEAD,
KAINAI NATION (BLOOD TRIBE)**

VOTE: CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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FOR: 26

AGAINST: 0

ABSTENTIONS: 0

RESOLUTIONS CHAIRPERSON:


BOBBI HERRERA