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TREATY No. 6



TREATY No. 7



TREATY No. 8

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RESOLUTION**

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SUBJECT: REVIEW OF GOVERNMENT OF ALBERTA'S FIRST NATIONS GAMING POLICY AND FIRST NATIONS DEVELOPMENT FUND

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 Chiefs of Treaties 6, 7 and 8 (Alberta) entered into the Protocol Agreement of Government to Government Relations; and

WHEREAS First Nations approved the Government of Alberta's First Nations' Gaming Policy (Policy) and the First Nations Development Fund (FNDF) for Gaming proceeds with the Government of Alberta in good faith; and

WHEREAS the Assembly of Treaty Chiefs express serious concern on the lack of Government to Government consultation on the administrative relocation of the Policy and the FNDF within the Government of Alberta's departments and as stated in the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples that there must be free, prior and informed consent with the Indigenous peoples on matters impacting them; and

WHEREAS those First Nations with Casinos have agreed to share their proceeds to the other First Nations located within the boundaries of the Province of Alberta; and

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WHEREAS those First Nations without casinos acknowledge and appreciate the sharing of the gaming revenues; and

WHEREAS the Assembly of Treaty Chiefs recognize that their gaming revenues offset the federal and provincial governments' contributions agreements to enhance the quality of life on First Nations; and

WHEREAS the current Government of Alberta's First Nations Gaming Policy and the First Nations Development Fund has been arranged prior to any actual gaming operations; and

WHEREAS the First Nations now have experience with the "Policy" and "FNDF"; and

WHEREAS the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, article 18 states that "Indigenous Peoples have the right to participate in decision-making in matters which would affect their rights, through representatives chosen by themselves in accordance with their own procedures, as well as to maintain and develop their own indigenous decision-making institutions.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Assembly of Treaty Chiefs, through the Grand Chiefs, establish a "Policy" and "FNDF" review process with appropriate Terms of Reference to enhance the experience for the benefit of all First Nations within the boundaries of the Province of Alberta.

FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED that the Chiefs give direction to have the First Nations Gaming Commission be re-established for the purpose of overseeing First Nations Gaming for the benefit of all First Nations in the area of gaming within the province of Alberta.

MOVED BY: PROXY CHIEF WILLIS KOOTENAY,
ALEXIS NAKOTA SIOUX NATION

SECONDED BY: CHIEF ROSE LABOUCAN,
DRIFTPILE FIRST NATION

VOTE: CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

FOR: 27 **AGAINST:** 0 **ABSTENTIONS:** 0

RESOLUTIONS CHAIRPERSON:


BOBBI HERRERA