MEMORANDUM

To: MNO Citizens, Community Councils, PCMNO
From: France Picotte, MNO Chair
Date: July 25, 2015
Subject: Proposed 2016 MNO AGA Special Business Resolutions

Attached please find all of the proposed 2016 MNO AGA Special Business Resolutions received by the MNO on or prior to the deadline previously posted.

These resolutions will now be forwarded to the Resolutions Committee, which will be appointed at the beginning of the 2016 MNO AGA pursuant to MNO Policy #2011-002 (Process for Conducting Ordinary and Special Resolutions at a General Assembly).

Consistent with MNO Policy #2011-002, the Resolutions Committee will determine whether these proposed Special Business Resolutions are in compliance with the policy set by previous MNO AGAs, and can therefore be brought to the floor of the Assembly for a vote.

Due to some of the resolutions being received by fax and scans, they are difficult to read. The MNO is having all proposed Special Business Resolutions re-typed. These re-typed version of the proposed Special Business Resolutions will be available on the MNO’s website at www.metisnation.org later this week.
MNO Secretariat Bylaw Change – AGA Voting

Whereas: The MNO promised to ensure active engagement of Metis Youth; and

Whereas: There is a need to engage our youth at an earlier age; and

Whereas: The presence of Metis children and youth at the MNO’s AGA has fallen over the years; and

Whereas: The current MNO Electoral Code Part A reads;

5.2 An Elector who is sixteen (16) years of age or older is entitled to cast one (1) vote for each of the following officers:
(a) President;
(b) Chair;
(c) Vice Chair;
(d) Secretary-Treasurer;
(e) Regional Councillor in his or her Region; and
(f) Post-secondary representative.

5.3 Only Electors who are between the ages of sixteen (16) and twenty-nine (29) years of age may vote for the youth representatives on the PCMNO or for the regional youth representatives on the MNOYC.

Whereas: Providing Metis youth, that may be interested, with an opportunity to cast their first official vote as part of the Metis Nation would be engaging, provide a lifelong memory of validation, and encourage interest and participation at future MNO events; and

Whereas: The Federal and Provincial Parties both have youth voting members at their annual conventions, voting on not only policy but also for their leadership starting at the age of fourteen (14) years old.

Therefore be it Resolved: In keeping with the MNO’s commitment to engage Metis youth and providing them a voice, and encouraging participation, the MNO Electoral Code Part A Article 5.2 and Article 5.3 be amended from age from sixteen (16) years old to fourteen (14) years old as follows;

5.2 An Elector who is fourteen (14) years of age or older is entitled to cast one (1) vote for each of the following officers:
(a) President;
(b) Chair;
(c) Vice Chair;
(d) Secretary-Treasurer;
(e) Regional Councillor in his or her Region; and
(f) Post-secondary representative.

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Mover: MNO Citizenship Number  

Jerry Clarke 1501-9708  

Signature

Seconder: MNO Citizenship Number  

Douglas Crater 11979320  

Signature


MNO Secretariat Bylaw Amendment Adding to section 58

PCMNO Bylaw Changes between AGAs

Article 58 of the MNO Secretariat Bylaw currently reads as follows:
The bylaws of the MNO may be repealed or amended by resolutions passed by a majority of the councilors at a meeting of the PCMNO, or by a resolution in writing pursuant to clause 27 of these bylaws, and subsequently confirmed by a Special Resolution at the next General Assembly.

Whereas: In past years, Councils and citizens have often felt left out of the loop on what transpires from PCMNO meetings; and

Whereas: Having access to review PCMNO bylaw motions passed at PCMNO meetings have not been made available to community councils or citizens; and

Whereas: Following MNO's Policy 2011.001 regarding the circulation of PCMNO Minutes is not applicable to this resolution as this motion is dealing with bylaw changes that PCMNO has voted on and approved; and

Whereas: In the past the PCMNO has passed motions impacting policy or bylaws without having them ratified at the next MNO AGA; and

Whereas: To ensure a truly transparent and accountable process where citizens can monitor PCMNO bylaw or policy changes to ensure they are not being implemented prior to being ratified at a MNO AGA; and

Whereas: The PCMNO has an obligation of transparency and trust of its citizens; and

Therefore be it resolved: That the PCMNO will provide a written or electronic copy of any and all bylaw and policy changes voted on and passed by the PCMNO to community councils within 35 days of each PCMNO meeting.

Mover:
DONNA GRAFER
MNO Citizenship Number 411-919320
Signature

Seconder:
JERRY CLAINE
MNO Citizenship Number 401-97108
Signature
MNO Secretariat Bylaw Amendment to Clause 58
PCMNO Bylaw Changes in Between AGAs

Clause 58 of the MNO Secretariat Bylaws currently reads as:
The Bylaws of the MNO may be repealed or amended by resolutions passed by a majority of the
councillors at a meeting of the PCMNO, or by a resolution in writing pursuant to clause 27 of these
Bylaws, and subsequently confirmed by a Special Resolution at the next General Assembly.

Whereas, Bylaw changes can greatly affect the governance of the MNO, and

Whereas, The PCMNO has the ability to recommend changes and/or to repeal MNO Bylaws going
through the Special Resolution process at the AGA, that is already in place; and

Whereas, The PCMNO has the authority to recommend repealing or making changes to MNO bylaws in
between AGAs however, the PCMNO should not have the authority to repeal, amend or implement those
changes passed at PCMNO meetings until after being ratified through the Special Resolution process at
the AGA; and

Whereas, in the past the PCMNO has posted and implemented policy or by-law changes without bringing
them forward to be ratified by the citizens at the next MNO AGA; and

Whereas, Each bylaw change that is proposed by the PCMNO in between AGAs should be reviewed,
debated, and voted on individually at the AGA through the Special Resolution process; and

Whereas, Clause 58 infers that the PCMNO is not to commence the implementation of any bylaw
changes until ratified at a MNO AGA; and

Whereas, All bylaws passed by the PCMNO in between AGAs must be presented to the very next AGA
for ratification; and

Whereas, Each bylaw passed by the PCMNO in between AGAs should be presented, discussed, and
voted on as separate motions and not presented in a cluster or blanket motion; and

Whereas, The PCMNO has an obligation of transparency and trust of its citizens; and

Therefore be it resolved: That clause 58 of the MNO Secretariat Bylaw is amended to read as follows:

The Bylaws of the MNO may be repealed or amended by resolutions passed by a majority of the
councillors at a meeting of the PCMNO, or by a resolution in writing pursuant to clause 27 of these
Bylaws, and subsequently each bylaw change must be discussed individually and ratified by a Special
Resolution at the next General Assembly before changes are implemented.

Mover:          MNO Citizenship Number          Signature          Signature
                DONALD GLEASON   11-979320
Second:          MNO Citizenship Number
                JAMES CARR     301-9703


Special resolution to amend s. 2.1 of the Métis Nation of Ontario Secretariat Harvesting Policy

WHEREAS harvesting is recognized and affirmed as a community right and a collective right and the community has the sole responsibility regarding the eligibility for harvesting rights within the Métis Nation of Ontario Secretariat Harvesting Policy;

AND WHEREAS the effective control dates of a community is to be proven by the community and not by the individual;

AND WHEREAS since the Powley decision came into effect on September 19th, 2003, there have been additional court cases dealing with aboriginal rights such as the Daniel's case and the Laurin & Lemieux court case;

AND WHEREAS valid harvesters where still being charged for harvesting after the interim agreement was signed in 2004;

AND WHEREAS the Laurin & Lemieux court case decision on June 12, 2007 declared the harvesting agreement between the Métis Nation of Ontario and the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources on July 7, 2004 to be legally binding;

AND WHEREAS the Mattawa Nipissing Historical Research Project has proven historic Métis in Mattawa and due to funding resources the study has not been completed and other studied areas in the province of Ontario have not yet begun;

AND WHEREAS the MNO citizens who fought for the right for justice prior to the R.V. Powley court case, prior to the harvesting interim agreement and prior to the Laurin Lemieux court case decision should be honoured for their dedication;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED to amend s. 2.1 of the Métis Nation of Ontario Secretariat Harvesting Policy to remove the follow “in accordance with the Métis National Council” and to read as follows:

“d) “MNO citizen” means a person who is interested in furthering the objects of the MNO and who is Métis within the definition adopted by the MNO, and:”

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED to add subsection “h” to s. 2.1 of the Métis Nation of Ontario Secretariat Harvesting Policy and to read as follows:

“h) “Harvesting Founding Members” means a person who is an MNO citizen who is in possession of a harvesting card or has been in possession of a harvesting card prior to the Powley case decision, prior to the harvesting interim agreement and prior to the Laurin Lemieux court case decision on June 12, 2007 will be honored as “Harvesting Founding Members” and will be considered as “MNO citizen” within the definition in the “Métis Nation of Ontario Secretariat Harvesting Policy” and will hold a harvesting card and respect the “Métis Nation of Ontario Secretariat Harvesting Policy”.”
Special resolution to amend s. 2.1 of the Métis Nation of Ontario Secretariat Harvesting Policy

Potential Movers:
Jessica Boulard 05-8557  
MNO Citizenship Number  
Signature
Marc Laurin 00-7972  
MNO Citizenship Number

Potential Seconders:
Richard Sarrazin 99-6133  
MNO Citizenship Number  
Signature
Daniel Boulard 99-5917  
MNO Citizenship Number  
Signature
Special resolution to amend article 4 of the Annual General Assembly ("AGA") Process in the MNO Policy #2011-002, Process for Conducting Ordinary and Special Resolutions at a General Assembly (updated Version approved by 21st MNO AGA on August 23, 2014)

WHEREAS as special resolution amend or repeal the MNO’s foundation principals, by-laws or policies which can have a significant impact on MNO citizens;

AND WHEREAS it is a democratic right to freely express the right to vote without influence or prejudice or without any discrimination and re-precautions on your vote;

AND WHEREAS MNO citizens need to express their democratic rights;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED to add the following “The validated special resolution will be voted on at the annual general assembly by secret ballot voting” to article 4 of the Annual General Assembly ("AGA") Process in the MNO Policy #2011-002, Process for Conducting Ordinary and Special Resolutions at a General Assembly (updated Version approved by 21st MNO AGA on August 23, 2014) and be changed to read as follows:

“At the beginning of the general assembly, a resolutions committee shall be established. The resolutions committee shall include three (3) MNO citizens selected by the general assembly, along with MNO’s legal counsel. The resolutions committee shall also be supported by the MNO administration, as required. The resolutions committee has the authority to review the proposed special resolutions to ensure they are in a form that is consistent with this policy. Only those resolutions that are in compliance with this policy will be brought to the assembly floor by the resolutions committee to be voted on by the assembly. At least one of the identified movers and seconders for each special resolution must be in attendance at the general assembly to act as the mover and seconder when the special resolution is brought to the floor. The resolutions committee cannot amend special resolutions in order to make them compliant with the policy. If a special resolution does not refer to a specific clause and propose specific wording, it will not be put forward to the annual general assembly for consideration. The validated special resolution will be voted on at the annual general assembly by secret ballot voting.”

Potential Movers:
Daniel Boulard 99-5917
MNO Citizenship Number Signature

Potential Seconders:
Jessica Boulard 05-8557
MNO Citizenship Number Signature
Special Resolution to Amend Definitions and Background on and Context for Policy in the MNO Policy 
#2011-002 Process for Conducting Ordinary and Special Resolutions at a General Assembly (Updated Version approved by 21st MNO AGA on August 23, 2014)

WHEREAS “The MNO’s 2010 Annual General Assembly directed the MNO to put in place a process that would ensure that MNO citizens have an opportunity to review, discuss and consider any proposed resolutions that would make changes to the MNO’s by-laws or significant changes to the MNO’s governance structures prior to their consideration by the general assembly” (AGA-RES10-02);

AND WHEREAS “the MNO by-laws have been amended to require that MNO citizens receive thirty (30) days notice of any special resolutions to be proposed at a general assembly” (MNO Policy #2011-002);

AND WHEREAS MNO Policy #2011-002 Process for Conducting Ordinary and Special Resolutions at a General Assembly applies strictly to “MNO’s foundational principles, by-laws or policies that have been previously adopted by the General Assembly” (MNO Policy #2011-002);

AND WHEREAS the addition of new MNO’s foundational principles, by-laws or policies adopted by PCMNO and/or MNO’s foundational principles, by-laws or policies which have not been previously adopted by the General Assembly are not subject to MNO Policy #2011-002 Process for Conducting Ordinary and Special Resolutions at a General Assembly and are not subject to MNO citizens receiving thirty (30) days notice of any special resolutions to be proposed at a general assembly for their adoption and/or ratification;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the definition of “ordinary resolution” under the Definition section in the MNO Policy #2011-002 Process for Conducting Ordinary and special Resolution at a General Assembly be amended to add “or that does not propose to add new policies which relate to the MNO’s foundational principles, citizenship, rights, and/or established boundaries” to read as follows:

““ordinary resolution” means a resolution at a general assembly that is consistent with this policy and does not propose to add to, amend or repeal the MNO’s foundational principles, by-laws or policies that have been previously adopted by a general assembly, or that does not propose to add new policies which relate to the MNO’s foundational principles, citizenship, rights or established boundaries.”

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the definition of “special Resolutions” under the Definition section in the MNO Policy #2011-002 Process for Conducting Ordinary and Special Resolutions at a General Assembly be amended to add “or that proposes to add new policies which relates to the MNO’s foundational principles, citizenship, rights, or established boundaries” to read as follows:

““special Resolution” means a resolution at a general assembly that proposes to add to, amend or repeal the MNO’s foundational principles, by-laws or policies that have previously been adopted by a general assembly, or that proposes to add new policies which relate to the MNO’s foundational principles, citizenship, rights or established boundaries.”

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the 3rd paragraph of section Background on and context for policy in the MNO Policy #2011-002 Process for Conducting Ordinary and Special Resolutions at a General Assembly be amended to add “or that do not propose to add new policies which relates to the MNO foundational principles, citizenship, rights, or established boundaries” to read as follows:
"For greater certainty, resolutions that do not propose to add to, amend or repeal the 
MNO's foundational principles, by-laws or policies that have been previously adopted by a 
general assembly or that do not propose to add new policies which relates to the MNO 
foundational principles, citizenship, and/or rights, including harvesting rights, and/or 
established boundaries do not require approval by means of a special resolution are ordinary 
resolutions and are not required to comply with the thirty (30) day notice requirement. 
Resolutions that are ordinary resolutions can be put before any general assembly based on 
the process set out in #5 below."

Potential Movers:

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MNO Citizenship Number

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Daniel Bouard 99-5917
MNO Citizenship Number

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Potential Seconders:

Juliette S. Denis 00-7895
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Daniel Bouard 99-5917
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Special Resolution to Amend Definitions and Background on and Context for Policy in the MNO Policy 
#2011-002 Process for Conducting Ordinary and Special Resolutions at a General Assembly (Updated 
Version approved by 21st MNO AGA on August 23, 2014)
Special Resolution to Amend s. 60, subsection (a) of the MNO Secretariat By-Laws

WHEREAS “The MNO’s 2010 Annual General Assembly directed the MNO to put in place a process that would ensure that MNO citizens have an opportunity to review, discuss and consider any proposed resolutions that would make changes to the MNO’s by-laws or significant changes to the MNO’s governance structures prior to their consideration by the general assembly” (AGA-RES10-02);

AND WHEREAS “the MNO by-laws have been amended to require that MNO citizens receive thirty (30) days notice of any special resolutions to be proposed at a general assembly” (MNO Policy #2011-002);

AND WHEREAS MNO Policy #2011-002 Process for Conducting Ordinary and Special Resolutions at a General Assembly applies strictly to “MNO’s foundational principles, by-laws or policies that have been previously adopted by the General Assembly” (MNO Policy #2011-002);

AND WHEREAS section 60, subsection “a” of the MNO Secretariat By-laws applies strictly to policies previously adopted by the General Assembly;

AND WHEREAS there is no by-law for the addition, repeal or amendment of MNO policies which relates to foundational principles, citizenship, rights or established boundaries which have not been previously adopted by the General Assembly;

AND WHEREAS MNO policies which relates to foundational principles, citizenship, rights or established boundaries are not subject to the MNO policy # 2011-002 Process for Conducting Ordinary and Special Resolution at a General Assembly and do not require MNO citizens to receive thirty (30) days notice of special resolutions to be proposed at a General Assembly for their adoption or ratification;

AND WHEREAS PCMNO may adopt, repeal or amend MNO policies which relates to foundational principles, citizenship, rights or established boundaries which have not been previously adopted by the General Assembly;

AND WHEREAS PCMNO is not required to bring to the General Assembly, for adoption or ratification, MNO policies which relate to foundational principles, citizenship, rights or established boundaries which have not been previously adopted by the General Assembly;

AND WHEREAS there is no required timeframe for PCMNO to bring to the General Assembly, for adoption or ratification, new, repealed or amended MNO policies which relates to foundational principles, citizenship, rights or established boundaries which have not been previously adopted by the General Assembly;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED to remove “For greater certainty, a Special Resolution is not required to repeal or amend MNO policies that were not previously adopted by the General Assembly “ in s. 60, subsection (a) of the MNO Secretariat By-Law and replace with “New policies which relate to the MNO’s foundational principles, citizenship, rights or established boundaries adopted by PCMNO shall be subsequently approved or ratified by a Special Resolution at the next General Assembly.”
Potential Movers:

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Daniel Boulard
MNO Citizenship Number 99-5917
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Special Resolution to Amend s. 60, subsection (a) of the MNO Secretariat By-Laws
Special Business Resolution

Title: Metis Harvesting Mobility and Transfer Rights

Whereas the Metis Nation of Ontario (MNO) and the Provincial Government signed a one year Interim Harvesting agreement recognising Metis harvesting rights in our traditional territories in July 2004;

And Whereas it has been twelve years since the Harvesting Agreement was adopted and there has been no movement to lift the cap on the number of harvesting cards the MNO can issue, or any advancement towards Metis Mobility or Transfer rights;

And Whereas Section 35 of the Constitution Act 1982 states:

35(1) The existing Aboriginal and Treaty Rights of the Aboriginal Peoples Of Canada are hereby recognized and affirmed;

And Whereas 35(2) in this Act “Aboriginal Peoples of Canada” includes the Indian, Inuit and Metis peoples of Canada;

And Whereas upon acceptance from the Metis Nation of Ontario, any MNO Citizen accepted to the MNO shall inherit all collective and communal rights in the Metis community that he or she legally resides. This is in accordance with S 35 of the Constitution Act 1982;

And Whereas Acceptance to a specific rights bearing community is and always has been a Metis way of life through nomadic travel, Kinship, marriage or following migration of the harvest. This practice took place centuries prior to the fall of Rupert’s Land and the introduction of Provincial borders;

And Whereas by not inflictng this policy, it violates our Constitutional and Human Rights and does not inherit the Metis Nation of Ontario’s Statement of Prime Purpose that states;

We, the Metis are a distinct Nation among the Aboriginal Peoples in Canada and as such our Aboriginal and Treaty Rights are recognized and affirmed under Section 35 of the Constitution Act, 1982

And Whereas the First nation and Inuit peoples have the right to transfer their harvesting rights to the community they reside;

And Whereas the First Nations and Inuit Peoples have harvesting mobility rights;

And Whereas government policies and actions regarding Metis who are not granted the same harvesting rights as the First Nations and Inuit Peoples is discriminatory;
And Whereas Metis Harvesting rights are a community right and are not extinguished due to relocation into a different Metis Community.

Therefore be it resolved that the 2016 MNO AGA directs the MNO Executive and members of the PCMNO to secure funding from all levels of government in order to consult with MNO citizens on drafting a Metis Harvesting Mobility and Transfer Policy and Procedure document;

Be it further resolved that the Metis Harvesting Mobility and Transfer Policy and Procedure document be presented for ratification at the 2017 MNO AGA for ratification;

Be it further resolved that upon ratification the MNO Harvesting Policy and the MNO Registry Policy introduces this newly added Metis Harvesting Mobility and Transfer Policy and Procedure and grant Harvesting Certificates to MNO members upon acceptance to the community in which he or she resides if interested.

Potential Movers:

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Daniel Bouard 99-5917  
MNO Citizenship Number  
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Hank Rowlinson 10-222420  
MNO Citizenship Number  
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MNO Citizenship Number  
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Special resolution to amend s. 4 of the MNO Secretariat Bylaws

WHEREAS the Métis National Council can change or amend the Métis definition without full agreement of the Métis Nation of Ontario citizens;

AND WHEREAS the Métis National Council does not give equal seats for voting to the Métis Nation of Ontario;

AND WHEREAS it is the democratic right for Métis Nation of Ontario citizens to have a voice on whom the Métis people are in their community;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED to remove “in accordance with the Métis National Council” in section 4 of the MNO Secretariat Bylaws and to read as follows:

“Citizenship in the MNO shall be limited to individuals interested in furthering the objects of the MNO and who are Métis within the definition adopted by the MNO, which is as follows:”

Potential Movers:
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MNO Citizenship Number

Signature

Potential Seconders:
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MNO Citizenship Number

Signature
Special Resolution to amend clause 6.1, of the Métis Nation of Ontario Secretariat Harvesting Policy and to add a new clause to the Métis Nation of Ontario Secretariat Harvesting Policy

WHEREAS the Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO) General Assembly is the ultimate governing body and decision-making authority of the Métis Nation of Ontario, where “citizens shall make decisions consistent with upholding and advancing the MNO Statement of Prime Purpose and shall strive to make decisions by consensus” (MNO Secretariat By-laws, s. 51);

AND WHEREAS the “PCMNO and councilors duly authorized by the PCMNO shall have the power to enter into contracts which the MNO may lawfully enter into and may exercise all such other powers and do all such other acts and things as the MNO is, by its charter or otherwise by law, authorized to exercise and do” (MNO Secretariat By-laws, s. 32);

AND WHEREAS “the PCMNO shall make decisions and act in a manner consistent with upholding and advancing the MNO Statement of Prime Purpose and shall take its direction from and shall report to the General Assembly” (MNO Secretariat By-laws, s. 14);

AND WHEREAS the Métis Nation of Ontario Secretariat Harvesting Policy stipulates “The President of MNO shall be the Chief Captain of the Hunt, and shall have the overall management of the Métis harvest within the Province of Ontario and the coordination of the regional Captain of the Hunt. The President may at his discretion delegate the office of Chief Captain of the to another MNO citizen” (MNO Harvesting Policy, clause 6.1);

AND WHEREAS the Métis Nation of Ontario Secretariat Harvesting Policy does not grant the Chief Captain of the Hunt decision-making authority on governance issues related to harvesting such as the approval of the MNR-MNO Harvesting Agreement;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED to add “The Chief Captain of the Hunt shall make recommendations to PCMNO on governance issues such as the approval of the MNO-MNO Harvesting Agreement” to clause 6.1 of the Métis Nation of Ontario Secretariat Harvesting Policy;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVE to add a new clause to the Métis Nation of Ontario Secretariat Harvesting Policy to read: “Resolutions adopted by PCMNO on governance issues related to harvesting shall be subsequently ratified by the General Assembly by a Special Resolution at the next General Assembly”.
2016 MNO AGA
SPECIAL RESOLUTION TO AMEND CLAUSE 6.1 OF THE MNO HARVESTING POLICY

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Resolution for Election of Provincial Secretary of the WSMNO

Whereas the Women’s Secretariat (WSMNO) is a collective body within the Métis Nation of Ontario dedicated to empower and support Métis Women and their families, and

Whereas the MNO Provincial Secretary for Métis Women is appointed as per MNO By-Laws (By-Law 7.1), and

Whereas the committee of 4 women representatives are elected by women citizens at the MNO Annual General Assembly following the PCMNO elections

Be it resolved that:

A committee be formed to revise and amend
• The terms of reference of the Women’s Secretariat of the Métis Nation of Ontario
• The relevant by-laws of the Métis Nation of Ontario and
• The Electoral Code of the Métis Nation of Ontario
Prior to the PCMNO election of 2020.

So that
1. The Provincial Secretary for Métis Women be elected by the Women of the Métis Nation by ballot during the PCMNO elections
2. The Women Representatives of the WSMNO be elected by the Métis Women of all regions by ballot during the PCMNO elections (regardless of their ability to attend the MNO Annual General Assembly).

Moved by: Liliane Ethier

Seconded by: Jo Anne Young

MNO No. 01-9404

MNO No. 99-7064
RESOLUTION TO AMEND MNO PROSPERITY AND SELF-SUFFICIENCY LAW

WHEREAS one of the fundamental objectives of the MNO, as set out in its Statement of Prime Purpose, is to develop prosperity and economic self-sufficiency for the Métis Citizens, Métis Communities and the Métis Nation—as a whole—within Ontario;

AND WHEREAS successive Annual General Assemblies have provided direction to the MNO to establish business structures and processes in order to maximize effectiveness, efficiency and success in pursing Métis economic development opportunity at the local, regional and provincial levels;

AND WHEREAS based on the direction, the MNO has sought and obtained expert corporate, legal and tax advice on how to best structure and implement an economic development model that achieves and abovementioned objective and direction;

AND WHEREAS the MNO is now in a position to successfully explore, access and benefit from economic opportunities that are available to it at the local regional and provincial levels throughout Ontario;

AND WHEREAS, the PCMNO has undertaken amendments to the Prosperity and Self-sufficiency Law without consulting with the MNO citizenship prior to these undertaking being implemented;

AND WHEREAS, during the 2015 Annual General Assembly MNO heard from MNO Legal Counsel that in order to have a successful Aboriginal business, business and politics must be separate from one another. Two (2) processes;

AND WHEREAS Section 40 as it is currently written does not provide for the separation of the two entities Business and Politics;

THEREFORE, in furtherance of the advancement of Métis Prosperity and Economic Self-Sufficiency, the MNO adopts the following Law,

AND THEREFORE, let it be further resolved that Section 21 of the Prosperity and Self-Sufficiency Law be restated in its entirety as written and passed by consensus at the 2015 Annual General Assembly in Midland Ontario.

AND THEREFORE, let it be further resolved that that Section 40 be amended to read as: This Law may only be amended by the Board of Directors of Infinity Investments GP and only implemented by resolution at the Current Year Annual General Assembly by way of resolution and in compliance with MNO policy number 2011-002;

AND THEREFORE, let it be further resolved that “Appendix A Page 10” the word “Governance” be changed to read MNO Chartered Community Councils Capacity Fund;

AND THEREFORE, let it be resolved that the term “Day to Day Operations” be defined by explicit language to ensure there is clear direction on the boundaries and duties allowable to the Board of Director under the Prosperity and Self-Sufficiency Law to conduct the affairs of Infinity Investments GP.

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Name: [Name]
MNO Citizenship #: 97-3855

Seconder: [Signature]
Name: [Name]
MNO Citizenship #: 00-7364

Signature: [Signature]
Dear France Picotte, MNO Chair

MNO Harvesting Card Fees for Seniors 65 and Older

WHEREAS: The MNO Harvesting Policy came into effect on the 27th day of June in the year 2011 and;

WHEREAS: The MNO Harvesting Policy has been amended from time to time and;

WHEREAS: Article 4.3 of the MNO Harvesting Policy refers to “Applicable Fees as set out in Schedule ‘A’ which is attached to and forms part of this MNO Harvesting Policy” and;

WHEREAS: the government of Ontario has waived the fees for Outdoors Cards or Fishing Licence for citizens 65 years and older;

THEREFORE: Be it resolved that any MNO citizen 65 years and older who possesses a Valid Harvesting Card or is eligible to possess a MNO Harvesting Card have all fees associated with obtaining or renewing their Harvesting Card waived.

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