## MÉTIS NATION OF ONTARIO • PROVINCE-WIDE PLEBISCITE

## PROVISIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MÉTIS NATION OF ONTARIO PCMNO RESOLUTION PC230530-07 FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

On April 28, 2023, the Provisional Council of the Métis Nation of Ontario ("PCMNO") officially called a one-day, in-person special General Assembly ("Special Assembly") to be held on June 17, 2023, in Toronto, in accordance with the notice requirements outlined in the MNO Bylaws.

This document supplements MNO's previous Frequently Asked Questions. Specifically, it provides additional information on resolution no. PC230530-07 that was passed by the PCMNO on May 30, 2023. Additional information on the Special Assembly is also available on the MNO's website at: <a href="https://www.metisnation.org/registry/registry-review-report/2023-special-general-assembly/">https://www.metisnation.org/registry-review-report/2023-special-general-assembly/</a>.

## 1. When will the MNO consider other issues raised in the "What We Heard" report that fall outside the scope of the Registry Review process and this Special Assembly?

Consistent with clear direction from the MNO AGA, the PCMNO, and the province-wide Plebiscite, the Registry Review process and Special Assembly are solely focused on <u>implementing</u> the MNO's current citizenship criteria.

As a result, other issues raised by citizens during the province-wide consultations and summarized in the "What We Heard" report, related to potentially changing the MNO's current citizenship criteria, fall outside the scope of this process and cannot be considered at the Special Assembly. This includes topics such as historic and contemporary adoption, *Indian Act* deregistration, community acceptance, reconciling different requirements for the MNO's harvesting and citizenship registries, etc.

On May 30, 2023, the PCMNO passed <u>resolution no. PC230530-07</u> confirming that these other matters will be considered in future during the development of the Constitution and Métis laws. Specifically, this resolution directs that:

other matters referred to in the What We Heard Report, which fall outside the scope of the Registry Review process and the Special Resolution, to be considered in future during the development of Constitution and Métis laws

## 2. Can I re-apply for MNO citizenship if the MNO changes its citizenship criteria in future?

Yes. If the special resolution is approved by the Special Assembly and citizens are removed from the MNO Registry pursuant to the proposed processes, they will be eligible to re-apply for MNO citizenship in future should the MNO's citizenship criteria change. Notably, the proposed amendments to article 5 of the MNO Bylaws clearly state that:

Any individual that is removed as a citizen is entitled to re-apply for citizenship at any time without payment of any fees or dues (if any are applicable).

