

**ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA CHIEFS  
SPECIAL CHIEFS ASSEMBLY  
ON  
TREATY RELATIONS COMMISSION OF MANITOBA  
AND FIRST NATIONS HEALTH**



**CERTIFIED COPIES  
OF  
ADOPTED RESOLUTIONS**

**Brokenhead Ojibway Nation  
March 23 & 24, 2010**

**ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA CHIEFS**

**Special Chiefs Assembly**

**On**

**Treaty Relations Commission of Manitoba and First Nations Health**

**Brokenhead Ojibway Nation**

**March 23 & 24, 2010**

**CERTIFIED RESOLUTIONS**

- Mar-10.01** Support for Renewal of the Memorandum of Agreement for the Treaty Relations Commission of Manitoba
- Mar-10.02** To amend the Constitution of the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs and the Articles of Incorporation of the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs Secretariat Inc.
- Mar-10.03** Renewal of the Minister's Commitment to achieve the 1,100,626 acres of Manitoba Treaty Land Entitlement to reserve status under the Manitoba Framework Agreement (MFA)
- Mar-10.04** Mandatory Education Curriculum on Treaties for Students in all Schools in Manitoba
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**RE: SUPPORT FOR RENEWAL OF THE MEMORANDUM OF  
AGREEMENT FOR THE TREATY RELATIONS COMMISSION  
OF MANITOBA**

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**Moved by:**

Chief Norman Bone  
Keeseekoowenin  
Ojibway Nation

**WHEREAS**, the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs (AMC) Chiefs-in-Assembly by resolution March-2001.30 mandated the establishment of a Treaty Relations Commission in Manitoba (TRCM); and

**Seconded by:**

Chief Derek Nepinak  
Pine Creek First Nation

**WHEREAS**, the AMC and Canada (Her Majesty in Right of Canada as represented by Indian Affairs and Northern Development (INAC)) signed the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) on November 19, 2003; and

**CARRIED**

**WHEREAS**, the Government of Canada through its Privy Council Office by Order-in-Council approved the establishment of a Treaty Relations Commission in Manitoba for a period of five years and ten months commencing June 1, 2005 with the current mandate of TRCM expiring on March 31, 2011; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 12, 2010 at the TRCM Joint Senior Officials meeting, it was confirmed by INAC that the renewal of the TRCM MOA on existing mandate, does not preclude amending the mandate of the TRCM as mutually agreed to by the Parties (see section 10.3). This can be pursued through the Grand Chief and Chiefs Task Force on TRCM in meetings with the INAC Minister; and

**WHEREAS**, INAC has requested support for the TRCM's existing mandate for a five year renewal.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the AMC Chiefs-in-Assembly support the renewal of the existing mandate and Memorandum of Agreement for the Treaty Relations Commission of Manitoba for a 5-year term from April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2016; and

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the AMC Chiefs-in-Assembly direct the AMC Grand Chief, Chiefs Task Force on TRCM to engage the Minister of Indian & Northern Affairs Canada to jointly work together to ensure that the MOA provisions are implemented to the satisfaction of both parties and sufficient resourcing is provided.

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**RE: TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION OF THE ASSEMBLY OF  
MANITOBA CHIEFS AND THE ARTICLES OF  
INCORPORATION OF THE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA CHIEFS  
SECRETARIAT INC.**

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**Moved by:**

Chief Sheldon Kent  
Black River First Nation

**Seconded by:**

Councillor D'Arcy Linklater  
Nisichawayasihk Cree  
Nation (Proxy)

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs (AMC) Constitution, the AMC was formed by the First Nations of Manitoba to act on behalf of the First Nations in Manitoba to take collective action; and

**WHEREAS**, AMC derives its power, mandate and responsibility from the sovereignty of the First Nations of Manitoba; and

**WHEREAS**, the First Nations of Manitoba established the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs Secretariat Inc ("AMC Secretariat") to support the activities and initiatives of AMC; and

**WHEREAS**, the AMC Secretariat is dedicated exclusively to the social, cultural, educational and economic development of First Nations people who for the most part live on Manitoba reserves; and

**WHEREAS**, AMC Secretariat is a non-share capital corporation under the Corporations Act (Manitoba) and a non profit organization under the Income Tax Act (Canada); and

**WHEREAS**, the central management and control of AMC Secretariat is located on a reserve; and

**WHEREAS**, the incorporation of the AMC Secretariat does not derogate from the inherent rights of the First Nations of Manitoba, including treaty and aboriginal rights; and

**WHEREAS**, the said incorporation does not in any way subject AMC or its Constitution to Canadian corporate law; and

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**WHEREAS**, the Executive Council of Chiefs has recommended that the AMC Constitution and the Articles of Incorporation of AMC Secretariat be amended to clarify the foregoing facts; and

**WHEREAS**, Article 20 of the AMC Constitution permits amendments to be made to the AMC Constitution at a duly constituted meeting by way of a two-thirds majority with the appropriate notice having been given, and whereas such notice was given; and

**WHEREAS**, the Corporations Act (Manitoba) permits changes to be made to Articles of Incorporation by way of Articles of Amendment; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed amendments to the AMC Constitution and the AMC Secretariat Articles of Incorporation have been distributed to the Chiefs-in-Assembly in the form of an Amended Constitution attached hereto as Schedule "A" and Articles of Amendment attached hereto as Schedule "B".

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

1. That the preamble to this resolution is hereby affirmed.
2. That the AMC Constitution be amended in accordance with the Amended Constitution attached hereto as Schedule "A", effective as of and from the date of this resolution.
3. That the Articles of Incorporation of the Assembly Secretariat be amended in accordance with the Articles of Amendment attached hereto as Schedule "B"; effective as and from the date of filing of the Articles of Amendment.

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4. That the Assembly Secretariat minute book and By Laws be updated to reflect the foregoing.
5. That all things necessary to give effect to the foregoing resolutions be and they are hereby authorized and directed.

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**RE: RENEWAL OF THE MINISTER'S COMMITMENT TO ACHIEVE  
THE 1,100,626 ACRES OF MANITOBA TREATY LAND  
ENTITLEMENT TO RESERVE STATUS UNDER THE  
MANITOBA FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT (MFA)**

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**Moved by:**

Chief Gilbert Andrews  
God's Lake First Nation

**Seconded by:**

Councillor D'Arcy Linklater  
Nisichawayasihk Cree  
Nation (Proxy)

**CARRIED**

**WHEREAS,** the Manitoba Framework Agreement (MFA) was signed by the Treaty Land Entitlement Committee (TLEC) - representing 21 First Nations, Canada and Manitoba on May 29, 1997 at the Opaskwayak Cree Nation; which sets out a process to provide 1,100,626 acres of new reserve lands to the Treaty Land Entitlement First Nations; and

**WHEREAS,** the Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada committed to converting 150,000 acres per year over 4 years or 600,000 acres starting August 2006 and ending August 2010; and

**WHEREAS,** of August 22, 2009 Canada has transferred a total of 350,000 acres to reserve status as per the 1997 MFA therefore failing to meet the original commitment of August 2006.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the Chiefs-in-Assembly direct the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs (AMC) Grand Chief to meet with the Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs (Canada) and Minister of Aboriginal and Northern Affairs (Manitoba) to obtain a renewed commitment from the Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs (Canada) and Minister of Aboriginal and Northern Affairs (Manitoba) to achieve the 1,100,626 acres to reserve status; and

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the Chiefs-in-Assembly direct the AMC Grand Chief to meet with the Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs (Canada) to ensure that the adequate financial and human resources are secured for TLEC, to achieve the goal of seeing all of the MFA-EFN lands converted to reserve status; and



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**FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Chiefs-in-Assembly provide a mandate to the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs to support the TLEC in securing 5 years of funding through the "Treaty Land Entitlement Committee of Manitoba Inc. Comprehensive Funding Agreement" with Indian and Northern Affairs Canada to ensure the continued assistance is provided to the Entitlement First Nations through the implementation of the TLE-MFA.

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**RE: MANDATORY EDUCATION CURRICULUM ON TREATIES  
FOR STUDENTS IN ALL SCHOOLS IN MANITOBA**

**Moved by:**

Chief Murray Clearsky  
Waywayseecappo First Nation

**Seconded by:**

Chief Derek Nepinak  
Pine Creek First Nation

**CARRIED**

**WHEREAS**, the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs (AMC) resolution MAR-10.02 supports the Renewal of the Memorandum of Agreement for the Treaty Relations Commission of Manitoba (TRCM) for a further 5 year term from April 1, 2001 to March 31, 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, the MOA identifies under 5.0 Role of Treaty Relations Commission 5.6 The TRCM will engage in information and public education programming to: 5.6.1 to improve the knowledge of school age children about Treaties and the Treaty relationship by developing curriculum in joint partnership; and

**WHEREAS**, the MOA identifies under 6.0 The Role of the Treaty Commissioner includes 6.2.4 developing public education information and curriculum development as agreed to by the parties; and 6.4 the Treaty Commissioner will coordinate and facilitate the involvement of Manitoba in the Treaty Relations Commission processes as required; and

**WHEREAS**, Treaty Curriculum has been developed for grades 5 and 6 in partnership with AMC, Manitoba Education, Manitoba First Nation Education Resource Centre (MFNERC).

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the AMC Chiefs-in-Assembly support the continued development of Treaty Curriculum for all grade levels and call upon both the federal and provincial governments to fund the development of mandatory curriculum on Treaties for students in all schools in Manitoba; and

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**FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Treaty Curriculum be developed using the current AMC, Manitoba Education Working Group with the Treaty Curriculum being coordinated by the TRCM (Manitoba) in partnership with MFNERC and AMC Council of Elders, Chiefs Task Force on TRCM.

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**RE: MANITOBA FIRST NATION WITHDRAWAL FROM THE  
ABORIGINAL JUSTICE INQUIRY – CHILD WELFARE  
INITIATIVE**

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**Moved by:**

Chief Sheldon Kent  
Black River First Nation

**Seconded by:**

Chief Chris Baker  
O-Pipon-Na-Piwin Cree  
Nation

**WHEREAS**, the Aboriginal Justice Inquiry-Child Welfare Initiative was created in 1999, through a Memorandum of Understanding signed by the Province of Manitoba and the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs (AMC); and

**WHEREAS**, the Southern Chiefs Organization (SCO) passed a resolution in 2008 to support the transfer of the Child and Family Services – Southern Authority from AMC to SCO; and, AMC leadership supported the Jan.23.09 resolution unanimously in Long Plain First Nation; and

**CARRIED**

**WHEREAS**, the AMC has endorsed the objectives of enactment of the *Child and Family Services Authority Act* and acknowledges that the Southern and Northern First Nation communities have a right to an active and responsible role in the safety, security and well-being of children and families through the delivery of child and family services and programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the family is sacred and the first resource for the well being of children; and the parents, families, extended families and communities have a right and a responsibility to care for their children and a right to receive preventive and supportive services directed to preserving the family unit; and

**WHEREAS**, the continued development and delivery of programs and services to Southern and Northern First Nation(s) must respect the values, beliefs, customs and traditional communities and recognize the role of women in making decisions affecting family and community; and

**WHEREAS**, the recognition of people's needs and preferences in all aspect of the management and delivery of child and family services, including preferences based on ethnic, spiritual, linguistic, familial and cultural factors must be respected; and

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**WHEREAS**, that AMC acknowledges that a “common process” of mandated Child and Family Services Agencies among SCO, MMF, MKO and the Province of Manitoba is an essential strategy and is necessary for collaboration, cooperation, and coordination that will be required to achieve efficient and sustainable Child and Family Services objectives; and

**WHEREAS**, the parties acknowledge that they are governed and responsible for the full range of programs and services under *the Child and Family Services Authorities Act* and *the Adoption Act* in Manitoba in accordance with the Declaration of Principles as set forth respectively.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that Chiefs-in-Assembly direct Government of Manitoba and all other parties immediately of the intent of the Northern and Southern First Nations as signatories to the AJI-CWI Initiative to trigger a complete and comprehensive review of the roles, responsibility and governance of the Northern and Southern Authorities; and

**FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED**, that should a review and/or recommendations fail to be implemented as of three months from today’s date; and that notice from the Southern and Northern First Nations to withdraw from the Aboriginal Justice Inquiry – Child Welfare Initiative be effected.

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