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RESOLUTIONS NOTICE

TO: Ontario First Nation Leadership
FROM: Tracy Antone, Chief Operating Officer
DATE: June 1, 2023
SUBJECT: **CALL FOR RESOLUTIONS – 3rd NOTICE**

The Chiefs of Ontario will host the Annual Chiefs Assembly (ACA) on June 13 to 15, 2023, in Thunder Bay, Ontario, with the theme “*Moving Forward: Strengthening Relationships for Future Generations.*”

Resolutions are the essential mechanism by which First Nations provide specific mandates and direction to the Chiefs of Ontario. The resolution process serves to effectively foster and capture consensus among First Nations in Ontario during the Annual Chiefs Assembly and at Special Assemblies of Ontario First Nation Chiefs.

ADVANCE SUBMISSION OF A RESOLUTION IS REQUIRED: In order to facilitate a more efficient and effective resolution process, resolutions for consideration at an Assembly must be received 5 days in advance as set out in a Call for Resolutions to all Ontario First Nations – in this case, **Tuesday, June 6, 2023.**

THE RESOLUTION DEADLINE IS TUESDAY, JUNE 6, 2023.

SUBMISSION OF RESOLUTIONS: Resolutions must be submitted by a Chief or duly mandated proxy of a First Nation and include the name and First Nation of a seconder, also a Chief or duly mandated proxy of a First Nation. Both the mover and seconder of a resolution must be available to speak to the resolution at the Assembly. If the mover and seconder are not noted on a resolution submitted for consideration, then the resolution will not be recorded and entered into the process as an official draft resolution.

Confidential Resolutions

Resolutions passed during an in-camera session shall be considered confidential unless already publicly available. Confidential resolutions will not to be distributed to persons other than those present during the session. Should the Chiefs-in-Assembly wish to remove the confidential status of a particular document, a motion will be required.

Confidential resolutions will be held by the Office of the Regional Chief and the Chiefs of Ontario Secretariat Chief Operating Officer but may be shared with Ontario First Nations Leadership upon request. Confidential resolutions will be numbered but will not be included in the resolutions package distributed to leadership. A message indicating that the resolution is confidential will be included in the package to ensure transparency and accountability.

Resolution Committee

The Resolutions Committee manages all administrative aspects of the resolutions process from the time draft resolutions are first submitted in draft format until they are finalized. The format to submit a resolution is preferable by email using the draft resolution attached to this notice to assist you in preparing a resolution. This template will also be available on our website <https://www.chiefsmeeting.com/aca-2023>.

Advance resolutions should be sent in electronic format to Alice Longboat via email at alice@coo.org. If it is not possible to send the draft resolution in an electronic format, a copy can be faxed to the Chiefs of Ontario Administration office at 416-597-8365.

Yaw^ (Thank you)
Tracy Y Antone, Chief Operating Officer

SUBJECT: *should be concise and relate directly to the topic matter of the resolution*

MOVER: *include properly spelled Chief or Proxy name (first and last names), community name*

SECONDER: *include properly spelled Chief or Proxy name (first and last names), community name*

DECISION: *(to be recorded by Resolutions Committee - Carried or Consensus, Defeated)*

WHEREAS: *Background that is directly relevant to the subject and:*

- *should be limited to essential background information about the resolution (on average no more than 5 clauses should be required). If more information is required, this can be handled through providing attachments and/or other supporting documentation;*
- *identify the exact problem to be addressed;*
- *provide the rationale for the resolution; and*
- *each clause (numbered as below) should express a separate reason (including facts) for the resolution.*

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Chiefs in Assembly:

OPERATIVE CLAUSE that specifically identifies action required, by whom and by when. *Additional considerations should include:*

- *Financial considerations and implications if any,*
- *Consistency with mandate of Chiefs in Assembly*