



C H I E F S C O U N C I L

RESOLUTION of the Matawa Chiefs Council passed at the 25th Annual Matawa Chiefs Assembly in Long Lake #58 to be effective from and after 9:00am Eastern Standard time on 1st of August 2013

RESOLUTION #13-01-08-13

RESOLVING THE ABORIGINAL SKILLS ADVANCEMENT PILOT PROGRAM FUNDING SHORTFALL

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Kiikenomaga Kikenjigewen Employment and Training Services' (KKETS) Aboriginal Skills Advancement Pilot Program (ASAPP) is to ensure that 100 trainees from the Matawa member First Nations acquire the essential skills and academic upgrading needed for entry into the labour market; and

WHEREAS, in July 2012, the Ministry of Training Colleges and Universities (MTCU) approved KKETS proposal to deliver ASAPP over an 18 month period from July 2012 to December 2013 at a total cost of \$2,646,129; and

WHEREAS, a funding shortfall of \$342, 225 is forecasted to deliver ASAPP as a result from extending staff positions due to revised funding agreements and high unanticipated costs associated with client supports and the need for two graduations which were excluded in the original proposal and agreements; and

WHEREAS, it is also realized that additional human resources such as a Tutor/Student Advisor and a Student Supports Officer are required to successfully provide the student supports needed for the remainder of ASAPP; and

WHEREAS, an unaddressed funding shortfall will lead to serious consequences for the First Nations trainees and learners which will also lead to higher future expenses associated with resolving the issue and meeting funding gaps in other ways.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the delegates of the 25th Annual Matawa Chiefs Assembly support KKETS in directing MTCU to work with other government funding agencies to leverage the shortfall of \$342,225 to provide KKETS with the financial resources needed to carry out the full potential of the ASAPP; and

AND FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED that the delegates of the 25th Annual Matawa Chiefs Assembly direct Service Canada to work collaboratively with MTCU on the ASAPP shortfall as a financial partner.





CHIEFS COUNCIL

MOVED BY: Chief Cornelius Wabasse, Webequie First Nation

SECONDED BY: Chief Peter Moonias, Neskantaga First Nation

ABSTENTIONS: None

CARRIED: Yes

Chief Executive Officer

