



CHIEFS COUNCIL

*RESOLUTION of the Matawa Chiefs Council passed at the
24th Annual Matawa Chiefs Assembly in Webequie First Nation to be effective from and after
3:00 P.M. Eastern Standard Time on the 2nd day of August 2012.*

RESOLUTION #14 – 08-02-12

POST SECONDARY-EDUCATION REFORM

WHEREAS: Matawa Chiefs Resolution 2010/#06 affirms our right to exercise full jurisdiction and control over post-secondary education and post-secondary student support services;

AND WHEREAS: the Government of Canada remains committed to developing and implementing a different approach to providing support to First Nation post-secondary students, including the possible administration of post-secondary funding through third-party agencies;

AND WHEREAS: Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC) continues to move forward on new Education initiatives, such as revised reporting requirements for post-secondary programs which have been implemented through the Education Information System (EIS), without meaningful input or consultation from First Nations;

AND WHEREAS: the need for post-secondary education and the number of First Nation members eligible for post-secondary education funding continue to grow, while post-secondary funding remains capped;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Matawa Chiefs in Assembly reaffirm our right to exercise full jurisdiction and control over First Nations learning at all levels, including post-secondary education and post-secondary education programs;

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Matawa Chiefs in Assembly direct the Matawa Education Department to prepare a comprehensive review of the Matawa Post-Secondary Program to identify successes and anticipated resourcing to sustain the current level of services, as well as the resources need to meet the anticipated needs of all eligible Matawa First Nation members;





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AND FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED that the Matawa Chiefs in Assembly direct the Matawa Education Department to work with the Chiefs Spokesperson for Education to develop a political strategy to secure adequate funding and reaffirm First Nation jurisdiction in post-secondary education.

MOVED BY: Proxy Arthur Shebagabow, Long Lake#58 First Nation

SECONDED BY: Chief Celia Echum, Ginoogaming First Nation

ABSTENTIONS: 0

CARRIED: Motion carried.

Chief Executive Officer

