



CHIEFS COUNCIL

RESOLUTION of the Matawa Chiefs passed at the 30th Annual Matawa Chiefs Assembly in Nibinamik First Nation to be effective from and after 1:00pm Eastern Standard time on August 2, 2018

RESOLUTION #08-02-08-18

FUNDING FOR LANGUAGE INITIATIVES

WHEREAS Matawa Chiefs have identified language as a nation-building tool, and have supported community-based and regional initiatives to renew and revitalize our Indigenous Languages, and;

WHEREAS Matawa First Nations Management (MFNM) and Matawa First Nations have submitted several proposals to the National Indian Brotherhood Trust Fund (NIBTF) and the Aboriginal Language Initiative (ALI) over the past decade related to language renewal and revitalization, and;

WHEREAS no funding has been received from NIBTF or ALI by Matawa First Nations while generous funding has been provided by NIBTF to other First Nations, First Nation organizations, and mainstream colleges and universities, and;

WHEREAS only minimal funding has been received by MFNM from ALI in 2011-2012 to provide limited support to establish a Native Language Advisory Committee, as mandated by the Matawa Chiefs under *Resolution #13-2009*, and;

WHEREAS MFNM continues to seek funding to support language initiatives within Matawa First Nation communities and at the regional level, so;

WHEREAS reasons that proposals from MFNM and Matawa First Nations to NIBTF and ALI have not been successful needs to be identified, and;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the MFNM report to the Matawa Chiefs and leadership on an on-going basis on the progress of this work, and;

FINALLY, BE IT RESOLVED that the Matawa Chiefs in Assembly direct that MFNM secure the necessary supports and resources from NIBTF and ALI for MFNM and Matawa First Nations.

MOVED BY:	Chief Elizabeth Atlookan, Eabametoong First Nation
SECONDED BY:	Chief Dorothy Towedo, Aroland First Nation
ABSTENTIONS:	None
CARRIED:	Yes (9)

Chief Executive Officer

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