



## CHIEFS COUNCIL

*RESOLUTION of the Matawa Chiefs passed at the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Matawa Chiefs Assembly in Constance Lake First Nation to be effective from and after 1:00pm Eastern Standard time on August 1, 2019.*

### RESOLUTION #17-01-08-2019

#### DAWSON COURT FEASIBILITY STUDY

**WHEREAS**, in the *Thunder Bay 2018 Point in Time Count*, 66% of homelessness people were identified as Indigenous; and

**WHEREAS**, many of those Indigenous homeless people are Matawa First Nations members; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a spectrum of housing needs for those Matawa First Nations members in Thunder Bay for families, trainees, youth, post-secondary students, Elders and medical patients and others needing safe and supportive housing; and

**WHEREAS**, the Matawa Health Co-operative has identified lack of housing and the appropriate supports, as a health concern for Matawa First Nations members, wherever they live; and

**WHEREAS**, the Dawson Court property, a former long-term care facility with approximately 186 bedrooms has become available; and

**WHEREAS**, the Matawa Health Co-operative has recommended a feasibility study be conducted to see if this facility could become viable for Matawa members and their families to supply a spectrum of housing needs, with appropriate supports and partnerships.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Matawa Chiefs in Assembly direct the Matawa Health Co-operative to conduct a feasibility study on the Dawson Court Property and/or other housing initiatives for Matawa First Nations members.

**THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that the Matawa Health Co-operative will report to the Matawa Chiefs Council with updates on this initiative when available.





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**MOVED BY:**

Chief Harvey Yesno, Eabametoong First Nation

**SECONDED BY:**

Chief Bruce Achneepineskum, Marten Falls First Nation

**CARRIED.**

*Chief Executive Officer*

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