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MUSHKEGOWUK COUNCIL 15TH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

**RESOLUTION NO. 2000-08-12** 

Attawapiskat First Nation

MOVED BY:

Chief Ignace Gull Attawapiskat First Nation

Kashechewan First Nation

SECONDED BY:

Fort Albany First Nation

Chief Shirley Horn Missanabie Cree First Nation

Moose Cree First Nation

New Post First Nation

ADOPTED BY CONSENSUS

Chapleau Cree First Nation

Certified copy of a Resolution passed on August 31, 2000

Missanabie Cree First Nation

> Lawrence Martin Grand Chief

August 31, 2000 Kashechewan, Ontario THE ESTABLISHMENT OF GROUP HOMES IN ATTAWAPISKAT, FORT ALBANY AND KASHECHEWAN

WHEREAS Payukotayno: James and Hudson Bay Family Services is mandated by the Mushkegowuk Chiefs in Assembly to provide culturally appropriate child welfare services recognizing the importance of keeping children in their home communities; and

WHEREAS the Mushkegowuk Chiefs in Assembly adopted Resolution No. 1998-08-22 concerning the establishment of group homes in Attawapiskat, Fort Albany and Kashechewan; and

WHEREAS situations are increasingly occurring in which the scarcity of placement options have resulted in the placement of children outside of Mushkegowuk Territory; and

WHEREAS the critical shortage of housing and overcrowded housing conditions in Mushkegowuk communities makes it difficult to meet the needs of providing foster care in a child's home community; and

WHEREAS Payukotayno: James and Hudson Bay Family Services was given direction to address the need for establishing group homes in

Attawapiskat, Fort Albany and Kashechewan through Resolution No. 1998-08-22;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mushkegowuk Chiefs in Assembly reaffirm Resolution No. 1998-08-22 and request Payukotayno: James and Hudson Bay Family Services to create a working group comprised of Mushkegowuk community members to explore the establishment of group homes to better fulfil its mandate.