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MUSHKEGOWUK COUNCIL 16TH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLUTION NO. 2001-09-05

Attawapiskat First Nation

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Fort Albany First Nation Chief Norm Hardisty Jr. Moose Cree First Nation

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Certified copy of a Resolution passed on September 26, 2001

Missanabie Cree First Nation

> Ignace Gull Grand Chief

September 26, 2001 Attawapiskat, Ontario

SUPPORT FOR JULES MATTINAS HEALING LODGE

WHEREAS the Jules Mattinas Healing Lodge was established in Attawapiskat to provide solvent abuse treatment services to young people in the Mushkegowuk and NAN territories and;

WHEREAS the Jules Mattinas Healing Lodge has experienced and continues to experience difficulties in fulfilling its mandate due to insufficient funding from the Aboriginal Healing and Wellness Strategy namely in the areas of funding for adequate operations, staff accommodation and road access and;

WHEREAS the Aboriginal Healing and Wellness Strategy does not recognize the higher cost of living and unique needs in northern remote communities and;

WHEREAS the Aboriginal Healing and Wellness Strategy imposes restrictive guidelines affecting the ability of the Jules Mattinas Healing Lodge to provide culturally appropriate and effective programming;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mushkegowuk Chiefs in Assembly fully supports the Jules Mattinas Healing Lodge in securing adequate funding from the Aboriginal Healing MUSHIKECONUK COUNCIL

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and Wellness Strategy, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mushkegowuk Chiefs in Assembly hereby urges the Aboriginal Healing and Wellness Strategy to work with the Attawapiskat First Nation in developing more flexible guidelines to allow the Jules Mattinas Healing Lodge to more effectively provide much needed services to youth who suffer from solvent abuse.