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MUSHKEGOWUK COUNCIL 17TH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-09-05

Attawapiskat
First Nation

Kashechewan
First Nation

Fort Albany
First Nation

Moose Cree
First Nation

New Post
First Nation

Chapleau Cree
First Nation

Missanabie Cree
First Nation

MOVED BY:

Chief Wade Cachagee
Chapleau Cree First Nation

SECONDED BY:

Chief Glenn Nolan
Missanabie Cree First Nation

ADOPTED BY CONSENSUS

Certified copy of a Resolution
passed on September 10, 2002


Mike Carpentef, A/Grand Chief

September 10, 2002
Missanabie, Ontario

CHAPLEAU CROWN GAME PRESERVE

WHEREAS the traditional and Treaty right of members of the Chapleau Cree First Nation and the Missanabie Cree First Nation to hunt and trap was fundamentally infringed by the creation of the Chapleau Crown Game Preserve by the Province of Ontario, and;

WHEREAS the Mushkegowuk Assembly recognized and supported in Assembly Resolution No. 1999-09-12 the right of the Chapleau Cree First Nation and Missanabie Cree First Nation to hunt and trap, and strongly objected to the infringement of that right of the Game Preserve, and;

WHEREAS members of the Chapleau Cree First Nation and the Missanabie Cree First Nation were charged with hunting and trapping offences for exercising their rights in the Game Preserve in 1999, and these charges are now being dealt with in the legal process;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mushkegowuk Assembly hereby reiterates its support and recognition of the right of the members of the Chapleau Cree First Nation and the Missanabie Cree First Nation to hunt in the Chapleau Crown Game Preserve, as expressed in Resolution 1999-09-12;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mushkegowuk Assembly expresses its support for the individual First Nation members who were wrongfully charged while

exercising their sacred hunting and trapping rights;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mushkegowuk Assembly urges the provincial Crown and the federal Crown and the court to begin to redress decades of injustice by immediately recognizing the legal and constitutional and moral invalidity of the Chapleau Crown Game Preserve and its infringement of First Nation rights.