

# MUSHKEGOWUK COUNCIL

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**Mushkegowuk Council  
22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Assembly**

**Resolution No. 2007-09-27**

Attawapiskat  
First Nation

**Moved by:**

**Cree Language Immersion**

Kashechewan  
First Nation

Byron Corston  
Moose Cree First Nation

WHEREAS Elders, parents and community members have expressed a concern for the loss of Cree Language among the Youth within our communities as the language of communication; and

Fort Albany  
First Nation

**Seconded by:**

Marjorie Cachagee-Lee, Proxy  
Chapleau Cree First Nation

WHEREAS recent studies have indicated that Cree Language is no longer considered as one of the Aboriginal Languages that will survive as a means of communication in the generations to come; and

Moose Cree  
First Nation

New Post  
First Nation

**Carried**

WHEREAS studies have proven that instruction of children in their mother tongue has proven to revive, maintain and preserve a language; and

Chapleau Cree  
First Nation

WHEREAS there has been an expressed interest among community members to the research, development and implementation of a Cree Language Immersion Program within their community;

Missanabie Cree  
First Nation

Certified copy of a resolution  
passed on September 13, 2007

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Chiefs and Delegates in Assembly mandate the Grand Chief and the Executive to direct Omushkego Education to explore the concept of a Regional Cree Language Immersion Strategy including a First Nation Pilot Project; and

Stan Louttit, Grand Chief

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that Omushkego Education coordinate a regional gathering of educators and leaders to assist in the exploration of this unique and important strategy.

September 13, 2007  
Attawapiskat, Ontario