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Mushkegowuk Council
33rd Annual Mamowihitowin

Resolution No. 2018-11-12

Attawapiskat
First Nation

Moved by:

Non-Insured Health Benefits Program
Support for Land Based Indigenous Healing
Practices

Kashechewan
First Nation

Leo Metatawabin, Chief
Fort Albany First Nation

WHEREAS the Opioid crisis and illegal drugs and alcohol epidemic continues to destroy our families, communities and our Cree way of life; and

Fort Albany
First Nation

Seconded by:

Hosea Wesley, Proxy Chief
Kashechewan First Nation

WHEREAS Mushkegowuk's Special Task Force for Healthier Communities has been directed to explore and provide treatment options for addictions, preferably options that are culturally relevant and sensitive to the unique needs of the Omushkegowuk; and

Moose Cree
First Nation

Taykwa Tagamou
Nation

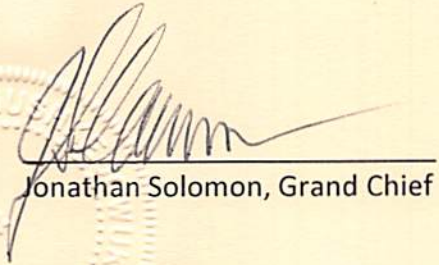
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WHEREAS current Non-insured Health Benefits Program policies prioritize western paradigms for treatment and detox services, and the Indigenous healing services are limited thereby creating barriers for culturally appropriate healing services for the Indigenous communities; and

Chapleau Cree
First Nation

Certified copy of a resolution
passed on November 8, 2018

Missanabie Cree
First Nation


Jonathan Solomon, Grand Chief

WHEREAS the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's call to action 22 states: "We call upon those who can effect change within the Canadian health-care system to recognize the value of Aboriginal healing practices and use them in the treatment of Aboriginal patients in collaboration with Aboriginal healers and Elders where requested by Aboriginal patients."

November 8, 2018
Timmins, Ontario

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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in response to our current State of Emergency, this Mamowihitowin of the Omushkegowuk mandates the Mushkegowuk Council to obtain changes to current Non-Insured Health Benefits Program policies so that our Land-based Indigenous Healing Practices are afforded recognition, acceptance and full support.