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Mushkegowuk Council 18th Annual Assembly

Resolution No. 2003-09-28

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Kashechewan First Nation

Seconded by:

Fort Albany First Nation Gisele Kataquapit, Delegate Fort Albany First Nation

Moose Cree First Nation

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Adopted by Consensus

Chapleau Cree First Nation

Certified copy of a Resolution Passed on September 11, 2003

Missanabie Cree First Nation HEALING LODGE

WHEREAS the Jules Mattinas Healing
Lodge was established in

Attawapiskat to provide solvent abuse

treatment services to young people in

and

SUPPORT FOR JULES MATTINAS

the Mushkegowuk territories:

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, road access and in addressing its capital fund requirements;

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

WHEREAS the Aboriginal Healing and Wellness Strategy impose 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

Ernest C. Beck, Grand Chief

September 11, 2003 Chapleau, Ontario

fully supports the Jules Mattinas Healing Lodge in securing adequate funding from the Aboriginal Healing and Wellness Strategy;

BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED that the Aboriginal Healing and Wellness Strategy is hereby urged to work with the Attawapiskat First Nation in developing more flexible guidelines to allow the Jules Mattinas Healing Lodge to be more effective in providing much needed services to youth and their family units who suffer greatly as a result of solvent abuse.