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Jonathan Solomon, Grand Chief

October 25th, 2019 Attawapiskat First Nation

Restorative Justice Program

WHEREAS Mushkegowuk communities have an inherent right of self-governance. especially with respect to matters of justice, and law and order: and

WHEREAS under the direction of the Chiefs of Treaty No. 9, Nishnawbe-Aski Legal Services Corporation created the Restorative Justice Program in 1996. recognizing the significant need for alternatives to the criminal justice system for the communities it serves: and

WHEREAS the Restorative Justice Mushkegowuk Program allows communities to play a central role in the administration of justice within their communities: and

WHEREAS, restorative justice has a demonstrated beneficial impact on victims, perpetrators and their communities because it facilitates processes of healing centered on respect and responsibility; and

WHEREAS, the development of the restorative justice program in each Mushkegowuk community is necessary to fully implement the program so the community members can restore community relations at an early state

WHEREAS, referrals to the Restorative Justice Program can be made by a variety of actors, including Nishnawbe-Aski Police Services (NAPS) Officers who can make precharge referrals;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mushkegowuk Council will engage in discussions with Nishnawbe Aski Legal Services about expanding the Restorative Justice program to each Mushkegowuk community and to engage Nishnawbe-Aski Police Services about their pre-charge referral practices to determine if they are used as often as it is appropriate.