

Proposed Resolution Submitted to the 2019 MNGA

Motion Subject: Definition of Community in regards to Community Acceptance for the purpose of Citizenship

Primary Offices affected: MNBC and Chartered Communities

Submitted by: Salmon Arm Metis Association; Local 10

Submitted to: MNGA Clerk

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Whereas:

- A. Chartered Communities are tasked with signing off on the final part of the Citizenship Application process. Re: Community Acceptance.
- B. This process seems to be required in certain circumstances but not in others.
- C. Community Acceptance is different than being accepted as a member of a registered BC Society.
- D. The definition of “Community” in regards to the Citizen Application process can be open to interpretation.
- E. This approach should be clarified and simplified to avoid the possibility of Chartered Communities not being able to respond to these requests in a fair and timely manner.

Therefore be it resolved that:

The definition of Community be: The Province of British Columbia.

This applies to the Citizenship Acts requirement of Community Acceptance .

By having MNBC be the official and only representation of the Metis Nation/ Community for purposes of accepting Applicants into the Metis Nation this will streamline the process and avoid possible conflicts and delays while still respecting all definitions in MNBC’s various Acts and the Constitution.