



RESOLUTION 3

APPROVED AT DECEMBER 2023 MÉTIS NATION GOVERNING ASSEMBLY

Subject: Provincial Youth Chair – Clarification of Candidate Qualifications

Legislation Affected: *Electoral Act, Constitution*

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Submitted to: MNGA Clerk

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Vote Required for Approval: 75%

WHEREAS:

- A. Legislative provisions require vigilant review to ensure they are correctly stated and written in unambiguous language;
- B. Article 23.6 of the *Constitution* stipulates a minimum age of 18 years to hold a position on the MNBC Board of Directors, and this age restriction is not mentioned in the *Electoral Act* or the *Constitution* under candidate qualifications for positions within Métis Youth British Columbia, which includes the office of Chairperson of the Métis Youth of British Columbia; and
- C. Prospective candidates for this office should be clearly aware of the candidate qualifications for this office.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- A. The following text be added to Article 8.3 c) of the *Electoral Act*:
 - c. Any Métis citizen who is between fifteen (15) years of age and thirty (30) years of age may seek elected office within the Métis Youth of British Columbia, *except for the office of Chairperson of the Métis Youth of British Columbia*;
 - d. Any Métis Citizen who is between eighteen (18) years of age and thirty (30) years of age may seek the elected office of Chairperson of the Métis Youth of British Columbia.
- B. The following be added to Article 38 of the *Constitution*:
 38. Any Métis citizen who is between fifteen (15) years of age and thirty (30) years of age may vote or seek elected office within the Métis Youth of British Columbia, *except for the office of Chairperson of the Métis Youth of British Columbia*;
 - 38.1 Any Métis Citizen who is between eighteen (18) years of age and thirty (30) years of age may seek the elected office of Chairperson of the Métis Youth of British Columbia.