



RESOLUTION 5

POSTPONED TO THE JUNE 2024
MÉTIS NATION GOVERNING ASSEMBLY

Subject: Ensuring Representation for Women and Youth at the MNGA and Regional Governance Councils

Legislation Affected: *Constitution, Electoral Act, Métis Nation Women's Act, Métis Nation Youth Act*

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Submitted to: MNGA Clerk

Date Submitted: December 14, 2023

Vote Required for Approval: 75%

POSTPONED

THAT Resolution 5, "Ensuring Representation for Women and Youth at the MNGA and Regional Governance Councils", be postponed to the June 2024, MNGA, to allow for further consultation with interested parties.

WHEREAS:

1. Chartered Community Presidents constitute a majority of the membership of Regional Governance Councils (RGCs) and the Métis Nation Governing Assembly (MNGA);
2. In the event a Community President cannot attend an RGC or MNGA Meeting, the Vice-President may attend in their place;
3. Chartered Community Presidents and Vice-Presidents are leaders in their community, and as such may also hold elected Regional positions; and
4. If a President or Vice-President is also an elected Regional representative, reduction of representation at an RGC or MNGA for groups such as women and youth may be negatively impacted.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- A. The following be added as Article 12.1 to the *Constitution*:
 - 12.1 While serving in one of the positions noted in Article 12, a member of the MNBC may not hold a position on a Chartered Community Board.

- B. The *following* be added as Article 8.10 to the *Electoral Act*:
- 8.10 Upon election as a Regional Women's or Youth Representative, a Citizen who holds who holds the position of President or Vice-President on a Chartered Community Board must immediately resign from that position.
- C. The following be added as a sub-Article to Article 5.4 of the *Métis Nation Women's Act*:
- Upon election as a Regional Women's Representative, a Citizen who holds the position of President or Vice-President on a Chartered Community Board must immediately resign from that position.
- D. The following be added as a sub-Article to Article 5.5 of the *Métis Nation Youth Act*:
- Upon election as a Regional Youth Representative, a Citizen who holds the position of President or Vice-President on a Chartered Community Board must immediately resign from that position.