



## RESOLUTION 5

REFERRED TO THE MÉTIS YOUTH BC COUNCIL  
AT THE JUNE 2024 MÉTIS NATION GOVERNING ASSEMBLY

Subject: Métis Nation Youth Definition

Legislation Affected: *Constitution, Youth Act, Electoral Act*

Submitted by: MYBC Chairperson

Submitted to: MNGA Clerk

Date Submitted: April 22, 2024

Vote Required for Approval: 75%

### WHEREAS

1. Canada in working with the United Nations has defined their age for Youth as 15-34 years of age and making up one quarter of Canada's population.
2. Youth are expected to have higher and higher qualifications and have access to less and less resources.
3. The transition period in life is getting longer and more intensive.
4. There has been a historical want to spit youth into two groups so we can have more age specific programing.
5. The *Youth Act* does not currently have an age out policy.

### BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- A. In Article 38 of the *Constitution*, "thirty (30)" and insert "thirty-four (34)" in its place.
- B. The following changes be made to the *Youth Act*
  - i. In Article 3.8, strike the word "**Métis**" preceding the word "**Youth**" and strike the number "30" and insert "34" in its place.
  - ii. Add the following as Article 3.8.1:

Métis Youth will have two categories:

- "Métis Youth" refers to Citizens between the ages of 15 to 20 inclusive; and
- "Young Adults" refers to Citizens between the ages of 21 to 34 inclusive.

- iii. Add the following as Article 5.12: “Upon turning 35 a person is no longer considered a Youth.
- C. In the *Electoral Act*, strike all instances of the number “30” or word “thirty” that refer to age, and insert the number “34” or words “thirty-four” in their place as appropriate.

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**BE IT RESOLVED**

That Resolutions 4 and 5 of the June 2024, MNGA be referred to the Métis Youth BC Council for broader consultation with Chartered Communities and Community Youth Representatives.