MÉTIS NATION BRITISH COLUMBIA

2SLGBTQQIA+ ACT

AS RATIFIED SEPTEMBER 2025 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

PREAMBLE

0.0 Mission statement of the Métis 2SLGBTQQIA+ of British Columbia:

"We, the Métis 2SLGBTQQIA+ of B.C. vow to walk with integrity as the proud Otipemisiwak (people who govern themselves) our ancestors prayed for; to elevate and center the voices of our people in the decisions that impact our nation; to foster a culture of wahkohtowin (kinship/interconnectedness) within our Nation; and to build a future where 2SLGBTQQIA+ can thrive alongside niwahkōmāk,anak (our relatives)."

ARTICLE ONE - TITLE

1.0 This Act may be cited as the 2SLGBTQQIA+ Act ("the "Act")

ARTICLE TWO - PURPOSE OF THE ACT

2.0 The purpose of this act is to entrench Métis 2SLGBTQQIA+ people living in British Columbia in the MNBC governance structure to ensure that Métis 2SLGBTQQIA+ people are equally represented and engaged in all levels of governance.

2.1 The 2SMBC acknowledges and accepts the MNBC Constitution as the law governing the 2SMBC and agrees to comply with the provisions of the MNBC Constitution and MNBC Legislation

2.2 The objective of 2SMBC is to advance and enhance Métis 2SLGBTQQIA+ perspectives, and to acknowledge the contributions of Métis 2SLGBTQQIA+ people for the benefit of Métis people and the Métis Nation.

2.3 The voice of Métis 2SLGBTQQIA+ people in British Columbia shall be brought to the MNBC, Federal and Provincial Governments, international organizations and associations through the 2SMBC.

ARTICLE THREE - DEFINITIONS

3.0 In this Act:

3.4 **"2SMBC"** means the seven elected 2SLGBTQQIA+ representatives, one from each Region, and the chairperson also known as the Minister responsible for Métis 2SLGBTQQIA+ people.

3.5 **"Legislation"** means legislative documents, laws and/or acts including amendments to existing legislative documents, laws and/or acts.

3.6 **"Métis 2SLGBTQQIA+ person/individual"** means those Métis individuals who identify as 2SLGBTQQIA+.

3.7 **"2SMBC"** means the Métis 2SLGBTQQIA+ of British Columbia

3.8 **"Métis Nation Governing Assembly"** (MNGA) means the governing legislative body of the MNBC, as set out in the Constitution.

3.9 **"MNBC Assembly"** means MNBC Annual General Meeting (AGM).

ARTICLE FOUR - 2SMBC

4.1 The 2SMBC will be the representative body of Métis 2SLGBTQQIA+ people in British Columbia, comprised of the 2SLGBTQQIA+ Chairperson and the seven (7) 2SLGBTQQIA+ Regional Representatives

4.2 The 2SMBC will be chaired by a person elected through the Electoral Act as the 2SLGBTQQIA+ Chairperson.

4.3 The Minister Responsible for Metis 2SLGBTQQIA+ people living in British Columbia will be the person elected as MNBC Provincial 2SLGBTQQIA+ Chairperson in accordance with the provisions of the MNBC Electoral Act, who shall serve as the Minister Responsible for Métis 2SLGBTQQIA+ people on the MNBC Board of Directors.

4.4 The Regional 2SLGBTQQIA+ Representatives will be elected by Métis 2SLGBTQQIA+ people living in their respective region in accordance with the provision of the MNBC Electoral Act.

4.5 The Director of 2SLGBTQQIA+ Equity will be an employee of Métis Nation BC who is hired or appointed as the Director of 2SLGBTQQIA+ to support and further Métis 2SLGBTQQIA+ people living in British Columbia.

ARTICLE FIVE - 2SMBC STRUCTURE

5.0 The 2SMBC shall,

5.1 The 2SMBC Chairperson or, in the event the Chairperson is unable to attend, an appointed representative on behalf of the 2SMBC shall attend every MNGA Assembly and MNBC Assembly.

5.2 The Provincial 2SLGBTQQIA+ Chairperson will serve as a voting Director on the MNBC Board of Directors.

5.3 The 2SMBC Chairperson shall provide Provincial, Federal and international representation for 2SLGBTQQIA+ Métis Citizens and be accountable to the 2SMBC and the MNBC Board of Directors.

5.4 The seven Regional 2SLGBTQQIA+ Representatives each shall hold voting seats on their respective Regional Governance Councils.

5.5 The regional 2SLGBTQQIA+ representatives will be accountable to the 2SMBC, their Regional Governance Councils and Métis citizens of BC.

5.6 The 2SMBC shall hold no less than four meetings, including virtual or in person meetings, each year called by the Minister Responsible for 2SLGBTQQIA+ Métis People or, in the event the Minister Responsible for 2SLGBTQQIA+ Métis People is unwilling or unable to call a meeting shall be called by a majority vote of the members of the 2SMBC.

5.7 Quorum of the 2SLGBTQQIA+ Governance Council is a majority of currently sitting members.

5.8 The 2SLGBTQQIA+ Governance Council shall prepare and maintain written minutes of all in person or virtual meetings (the "2SLGBTQQIA+ Governance Council Meeting Minutes").

5.9 The 2SLGBTQQIA+ Governance Council Meeting Minutes shall be retained in the office of the Director of 2SLGBTQQIA+ Equity/head office of the Métis Nation British Columbia.

5.10 The 2SMBC shall, on behalf of Métis 2SLGBTQQIA+ people living in British Columbia take such action or hold such functions as may be deemed appropriate to encourage and support equity for, and the spiritual, physical, mental and emotional well being of Métis 2SLGBTQQIA+ people, including seeking funding for 2SLGBTQQIA+ initiatives.

ARTICLE SIX - ELECTORAL PROCESS

6.0 2SMBC electoral processes are,

6.1 Métis 2SLGBTQQIA+ individuals seeking elected office must meet all eligibility requirements as set out in the MNBC *Constitution*, the MNBC *Electoral Act,* and the MNBC guidelines.

6.2 The 2SMBC shall be elected for a four (4) year term in conjunction with the MNBC *Electoral Act.*

6.3 In the event a vacancy in the 2SMBC shall arise due to the resignation, removal, suspension or otherwise of 2SMBC member, the position shall be filled in accordance with MNBC Legislation, as amended from time to time.