



RESOLUTION 3

APPROVED AT THE 2025 SUMMER
MÉTIS NATION GOVERNING ASSEMBLY

Subject: Enhancing MVBC Representation at the MNGA and Clarifying the Relationship with MNBC Board of Directors
Legislation Affected: *Constitution, MNGA Act, Veterans Act*
Submitted by: Region 1 Director
Submitted to: MNGA Clerk
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Vote Required for Approval: 75%

WHEREAS

1. The Métis Veterans BC (MVBC) Committee works with the MNBC Board of Directors and within the MNBC Governance structure to support Métis Veterans in BC;
2. Veterans do not have direct access to the MNBC governance structure and rely on other members of the MNGA to propose any changes to the *Veterans Act*, or to act in their stead;
3. MVBC Members are Veterans and are uniquely positioned to ascertain the wants and needs of Veterans and their families, which can be inadvertently missed by people who do not have military or RCMP experience.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- A. The following be added as a sub-article to Article 29 of the *Constitution*:

29.4 The Chairperson of the Métis Veterans BC (MVBC) shall be a non-voting member of the MNGA for the purposes of:
 - a. Submitting resolutions to enact new or change existing Legislation or the *Constitution* regarding matters that directly impact Veterans on behalf of MVBC;
 - b. Participating in discussion and providing information on the above-noted matters.
- B. The following be added as a sub-article to Article 4.2 of the *Métis Nation Veterans Act*:

The Chairperson of the Métis Veterans BC (MVBC) shall be a non-voting member of the MNGA, for the purposes of:
 - a. Submitting resolutions to enact new or change existing Legislation or the *Constitution* regarding matters that directly impact Veterans on behalf of MVBC;

- b. Participating in discussion and providing information on the above-noted matters.
- C. The following be added as a sub-article to Article 3.1 of the *MNGA Act*:

The Chairperson of the Métis Veterans BC (MVBC) shall be a non-voting member of the MNGA, for the purposes of:

 - a. Submitting resolutions to enact new or change existing Legislation or the *Constitution* regarding matters that directly impact Veterans on behalf of MVBC;
 - b. Participating in discussion and debate on the above-noted matters.
- D. The following underlined text be added as a sub-article to Article 12.1(a), 12.2(a), and 12.3(a) of the *MNGA Act*:
 - i. Despite article 12.1(a), the Métis Veterans BC (MVBC) Committee may, through the MVBC Chair, submit resolutions to the MNGA on matters that directly affect Métis Veterans.
- E. Insert the following as a new Article to the end of *Veterans Act*:

ARTICLE # - NATIONAL REPRESENTATION AND RELATIONSHIP WITH THE MNBC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- #.1 The MVBC Chair (or designate) shall be a non-voting liaison for the MVBC to the MNBC ~~GA~~ Board of Directors.
 - #.2 Despite any changes to MNBC's relationships with other levels of government or other Métis organizations, MVBC will continue to work for MNBC Veterans at a national level, particularly with regard to:
 - Providing necessary opportunities for MVBC to participate on Veterans Affairs Canada Advisory Committees;
 - Working with the Canadian Armed Forces;
 - Working with other appropriate partners, such as Library and Archives Canada.

(a) Nothing should preclude MVBC from receiving funding from other governments, organizations, or agencies.
 - #.3 MVBC will provide written reports of activities and partnerships to the Board of Directors at the MNBC Annual General Meeting and the in-person MNGA.
- F. Renumber all articles in the *Constitution*, the *MNGA Act*, and the *Veterans Act* as necessary.