RESOLUTION 7

APPROVED AT THE
2025 MÉTIS NATION BRITISH COLUMBIA
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Subject:	Update to Strategic Partnerships and Synchronization of Métis Women, 2SLGBTQQIA+, and Youth Legislation
Legislation Affected:	*Women's Act; 2SLGBTQQIA+ Act; Youth Act*
Submitted by:	Métis Nation Governing Assembly via Métis Women British Columbia Chairperson, *in consultation with MWBC* Métis 2SLGBTQQIA+ British Columbia Chairperson, *in consultation with the 2SMBC* Métis Youth British Columbia Chairperson, *in consultation with MYBC*
Submitted to:	MNGA Clerk
Date Submitted:	May 31, 2025
Vote Required for Approval:	Majority

WHEREAS

1. Métis Nation British Columbia (MNBC) is the recognized provincial body to represent the interests of Métis people living in British Columbia.

2. MNBC has undergone significant changes in strategic partnership in 2024.

3. On November 30, 2024, the Métis Nation Governing Assembly (MNGA) voted to depart the Métis National Council (MNC) due to concerns pertaining to inequitable voting structures impacting non-founding members.

4. On December 5, 2024, the MNBC Board of Directors released a statement outlining concerns over the conduct and operations of *Les Femmes Michif Otipemisiwak (LFMO)* in British Columbia, with ceasing further support of LFMO until remedying actions are taken.

5. Legacy language pertaining to the MNC and LFMO remains in the legislations for the *Youth*, *Women*, and *2SLGBTQQIA+ Acts*, which are now outdated.

6. The Métis Councils for Women, 2SLGBTQQIA+, and Youth in BC look towards building a Nation that has a strong presence both on a national and international level, ensuring the well-being and vibrance of the BC Métis Community.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

A. The *Women's Act* be amended by removing the struck-out words and inserting the underlined words, in Articles 4.4 and 5.4:

4.4 The voice of the Métis Women in British Columbia shall be brought to the MNBC, ~~Métis National Council, Women of the Métis Nation Les Femmes Michif~~

~~Otipemisiwak,~~ Federal and Provincial Governments, international organizations and associations through the MWBC ~~Committee~~ Provincial Governance Council.

5.4 The Provincial Women's Chairperson shall provide Provincial, ~~and~~ Federal, and international representation for Métis Women, and be accountable to the Provincial Governance Council and the MNBC Board of Directors

B. The following be added as a sub-article to Article 6 of the *Women's Act:*

In the event a vacancy in the MWBC Provincial Governance Council arises due to the resignation, removal, suspension or otherwise of an MWBC Member, the vacancy shall be filled in accordance with MNBC legislation.

C. The *2SLGBTQQIA+ Act* be amended by removing the struck-out words and inserting the underlined words, in Articles 2.3 and 5.3 as set out below:

2.3 The voice of Métis 2SLGBTQQIA+ people in British Columbia shall be brought to the MNBC, ~~Métis National Council, Women of the Métis Nation Les Femmes Michif Otipemisiwak,~~ Federal and Provincial Governments, international organizations and associations through the 2SMBC.

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

D. Article 6.3 of the *2SLGBTQQIA+ Act* be amended by removing the struck-out words and inserting the underlined words:

In the event a vacancy in the 2SMBC arises due to the resignation, removal, suspension or otherwise of a 2SMBC member, the position shall be filled ~~the 2SLGBTQQIA+ Provincial Governance Council shall hold a by-election~~ in accordance with ~~the~~ MNBC Legislation, as amended from time to time. ~~*Electoral Act*.~~

E. Article 4.4 of the *Youth Act* be amended by removing the struck-through words and inserting the underlined terms, as set out below:

4.4 The voice of the Métis Youth in British Columbia shall be brought to the MNBC, ~~Métis National Council~~, Federal and Provincial Governments, international organizations and associations through the MYBC ~~Committee~~ Provincial Governance Council.

F. Article 6.3 of the *Youth Act* be amended by removing the struck-out words and inserting the underlined words:

In the event a vacancy in the MYBC ~~Committee~~ Provincial Governance Council ~~shall~~ arises due to the resignation, removal, suspension or otherwise of a MYBC ~~Committee~~ Member, the vacancy shall be filled in accordance with MNBC legislation. ~~MYBC Committee shall hold a by-election in accordance with the *MNBC Electoral Act*~~.

G. The *Youth Act* be amended by striking all instances of “MYBC Committee” and replacing it with “MYBC Provincial Governance Council.”

H. THAT all instances of M2SBC and 2SLGBTQQIA+ Provincial Governance Council be struck and replaced with 2SMBC in the 2SLGBTQQIA+ Act.