



RESOLUTION #7

SUBMITTED TO THE 2020 MÉTIS NATION BRITISH COLUMBIA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Subject: MNBC *Constitution*

Offices Affected: The MNBC Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Submitted by: MNBC Board of Directors

Submitted to: MNGA Clerk

Date Submitted: January 21, 2020

WHEREAS:

- A. A constitution of a Nation represents the will of its people, and sets out the principles under which the citizens of a Nation have agreed to be governed, and is subject to the “living tree” doctrine which provides that a nation should be vigilant to ensure that its constitution is current and adapted to changes brought about through time;
- B. The MNBC *Constitution* is the supreme governing legislation for the Métis Citizens of British Columbia, and, from time to time, it is deemed necessary to review its provisions, and to incorporate any changes that may be due to the changing times and the needs and wishes of the Métis Citizens of British Columbia, and to provide clarity where it is seen to be required;
- C. It is good governance for the MNBC to have any rules and restrictions, specifically regarding the rights of citizens and their attendance at the MNBC Annual General Meeting (AGM), transparently stated in the *Constitution*;
- D. Bylaw 3.6 of the *Bylaws of the Métis Provincial Council of British Columbia* states “Only Members shall be entitled to participate at an AGM or SGM”, with “members” being defined as “A Métis Citizen”, and this bylaw is currently in effect.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Section “Annual General Meeting” be amended to reflect the bylaws already in effect:

Add the following:

- A. “69. Only persons who have registered as a Métis Citizen pursuant to the *MNBC Citizenship Act*, and are registered as a MNBC Citizen within the MNBC Central Registry, are entitled to speak and be issued voting credentials at a MNBC AGM or SGM.”
- B. Subsequent articles be re-numbered as required.