



Resolution No. 8

WHEREAS:

Governments and Industry continue to inadequately consult and accommodate the Metis Nation's Manitoba Metis Community interests via its self-government representative, the MMF.

WHEREAS:

There continues to be large developments underway in Manitoba including forestry, mining and hydroelectric developments in which the Metis Nation within Manitoba continues to be left out of development opportunities.

WHEREAS:

Additions to Reserve Lands under Treaty Land Entitlement and Northern Flood Agreement may affect the lands traditionally and currently used and occupied by the Manitoba Metis and that Governments have not consulted and accommodated the Metis Nation's interest.

WHEREAS:

The Crown and industry have parts to play in ensuring environmental legislation and constitutional rights are respected and adhered to in consulting with and accommodating the Metis community.

WHEREAS:

With Goodon and other harvesting for food cases will delineate the Metis Right once they have made their way through the courts.

WHEREAS:

Our Metis Rights are at least at parity with First Nations when it comes to consultations and other Aboriginal rights and we may have more Aboriginal rights including unextinguished commercial and Aboriginal Title.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

In keeping with prior MMF AGA resolutions, this assembly continue to give the direction to the Provincial Home Office to take the lead and be the main contact on all consultations affecting the Metis community and to work closely with the Regions and Locals to ensure governments and industry abide by environmental and constitutional obligations to the Metis and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That direction and mandate be given to the MMF Board to pursue legal and other actions as the Board may determine are appropriate against governments and industry in the consultation and accommodation areas to ensure that the Manitoba Metis community is fully consulted and accommodated when a decision or project is contemplated that may affect our collective Metis Rights.

Moved by: Jeannette Garand

Seconded by: Rosemarie Rozyk

Carried Unanimously

