Resolution: Assessment of Eeyou Istchee Trapline System

WHEREAS the delegates of the Grand Council of the Crees (Eeyou Istchee)/Cree Nation Government 48th/45th Annual General Assembly have discussed many issues related to the traditional way of life and its importance to the vitality of the Cree Nation;

WHEREAS the trapline system currently applied in Eeyou Istchee is based on a mix a traditional principles, values and traditions with influence and reaction to Western or foreign governments;

WHEREAS it is imperative that the Cree Nation hold on to those values and traditions that enhance the strength of the Cree Nation and limit or eliminate those elements and influence that harm or inhibit Cree traditions and values as a legacy of colonial occupation;

WHEREAS the Cree Trappers' Association has long served the Cree Nation in the preservation and maintenance of programs, registry and other initiatives aimed at preserving and enhancing the Cree way of life;

IT IS RESOLVED

THAT the delegates of the Grand Council of the Crees (Eeyou Istchee)/Cree Nation Government 48th/45th Annual General Assembly hereby encourage the Cree Trappers' Association to lead Cree governments, organizations, and entities in an assessment of the current trapline system in Eeyou Istchee to ensure that matters such as terminology, titles, processes and principles are a true reflection of Cree values and traditions.