

KIVALLIQ CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

2006 RESOLUTION

Whereas:

The cost of transportation imposes a considerable and debilitating burden on the communities of the Kivalliq and Northern Manitoba

And whereas:

The governments of Nunavut and Manitoba in conjunction with the Kivalliq Inuit Association have been engaged in a scoping study on a Nunavut to Manitoba road to alleviate the burden imposed by high transportation costs as well as to open the region to more positive development

Be it resolved that:

The parties to the scoping study, namely the Government of Nunavut, the Government of Manitoba and the Kivalliq Inuit Association with their sponsor, the Government of Canada, be encouraged to continue and accelerate where possible the process of addressing Kivalliq and Northern Manitoba's inordinate transportation burden through the construction of an all-weather road link from Rankin Inlet to the road transportation grid in Northern Manitoba.

Moved: Ken Manson

Seconded: Brock Junkin

Carried.

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Whereas:

The annual harvest of caribou on Southampton Island adds approximately \$4,500,000 in direct and indirect economic spin-offs to the non-decentralized community of Coral Harbour;

And whereas:

Whereas upwards of forty-five people find part-time employment in the non-decentralized community of Coral Harbour in prosecuting the harvest;

And whereas:

Upwards of fifteen people find full time employment in the community of Rankin Inlet in processing the product of the harvest;

And whereas

The activity is sustainable and in fact needed to curb population growth so the herd does not crash from over extending the environments capacity to support it;

And whereas

Significant additional value-added activities from the harvest are possible and have yet to be explored;

And whereas

Funding support from the Government of Nunavut is necessary for the harvest to continue and this funding support requires continuing and time-consuming re-application on an annual basis,

Be it resolved that:

That the Government of Nunavut permanently fund the activities of this economic vehicle so critical to the economy of Coral Harbour and Rankin Inlet.

Moved: Brian Schindel

Seconded: Brock Junkin

Carried.

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Whereas:

The tourism industry is an important element of the Nunavut Economy and often provides one of the few opportunity for employment and entrepreneurial activity in non-decentralized communities;

And whereas:

Available information on the industry normally gathered through exit surveys and similar vehicles is dated and woefully inadequate,

And whereas:

Good statistical information is an important tool for tourism operators to use in monitoring and modulating their activities, particularly in marketing,

Be it resolved that:

The Government of Nunavut support and fund an informative statistical examination of the industry at least every three years.

Moved: Joan Scottie

Seconded: Troy Nixon

Carried.

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Whereas:

The Nunavut Mining Symposium Society conducts an annual symposium to highlight the mining industry in Nunavut and its potential for exploration;

And whereas:

Nunavut has a settled land claim and regulatory structure to make it an attractive area for exploration and mining;

And whereas:

There is great potential to create significant high paying employment from a healthy mining and exploration sector;

And whereas:

Funding support from the Government of Nunavut is necessary for the Nunavut Mining Symposium Society to put on its symposium and this funding support requires continuing and time-consuming re-application on an annual basis

Be it resolved that:

That the Government of Nunavut permanently fund the activities of the Nunavut Mining Symposium which is so critical to the present and future economy of the Kivalliq and all of Nunavut.

Moved: Brock Junkin

Seconded: Sam Itkilik

Carried.

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Whereas:

The Nunavut Mining Symposium Society conducts an annual symposium to highlight the mining industry in Nunavut and its potential for exploration;

And whereas:

This now annual Symposium has been rotating between the three regions through much of its history;

And whereas:

This strategy of rotations highlights the potential for each region, exposes each region for mining and exploration and spreads the economic benefits of the symposium among the three regions;

And whereas:

The symposium is consistently a financial success when held in either Rankin Inlet or Cambridge Bay,

Be it resolved that:

That the Nunavut Mining Symposium Society continue to rotate the activities of its mining symposium among the three regions.

Moved: Brock Junkin

Seconded: Norma Lefurgey

Carried.

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Whereas:

A Nunavut Chamber of Commerce will provide Nunavut with a stronger voice at the national and territorial levels;

And whereas:

Creation of a Nunavut Chamber of Commerce should be supported by resolutions for the founding members,

Be it resolved that:

The Kivalliq Chamber of Commerce support the creation of a Nunavut Chamber of Commerce with equal representation on the board from the Baffin Regional Chamber, the Kitikmeot Regional Chamber and the Kivalliq Regional Chamber.

Moved: Ellie Cansfield

Seconded: Norma Lefurgey

Carried.

KIVALLIQ CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

2006 RESOLUTION

Whereas:

Nunavut was founded on the principle that it be governed by an Inuit government representative of the population of Nunavut;

Whereas:

The current personnel roster of the Government of Nunavut still is not representative of the population of Nunavut;

And whereas:

There continue to be a large number of vacancies on the Government of Nunavut personnel roster,

Be it resolved that:

That the government more aggressively pursue their Inuit Employment Plan by hiring available Inuit to fill the vacant positions in government

Moved: Donat Milortok

Seconded: Armand Angootealuk

Carried.

KIVALLIQ CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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Whereas:

Small Nunavut businesses have experience on-going problems with documentation and the definition of Inuit-owned business under the NNI policy

Be it resolved that:

The NNI Secretariat review and propose changes that move to satisfy these concerns.

Moved: Ellie Cansfield

Seconded: Brock Junkin

Carried.

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Whereas:

Youth entrepreneurship and youth skills development are very important to the development of Nunavut's business community and overall economy;

Whereas:

The Kivalliq Chamber of Commerce is in support of enhancing youth involvement and engagement in entrepreneurship and business skills development;

Whereas:

The Kivalliq Junior Achievement Programme was re-established in 2005, having successfully delivered youth entrepreneurship programmes for youth at M.U.I. school in Rankin Inlet;

And whereas:

Kivalliq Junior Achievement is interested in expanding the programme to other Kivalliq communities

Be it resolved that:

The Kivalliq Chamber of Commerce supports Kivalliq Junior Achievement in seeking additional government, Inuit organization and private sector funding to further develop and expand the programme across the Kivalliq region.

Moved: Norma Lefurgey

Seconded: Brock Junkin

Carried.

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Whereas:

The Government of Nunavut has formulated a draft Arts Strategy and Carving Stone Strategy due to be reviewed by cabinet;

Whereas:

Such a strategy will greatly assist Kivalliq artists in the pursuit of their careers;

And whereas:

The Arts is an important component to the regional and territorial economy particularly in non-decentralized communities

Be it resolved that:

That the draft strategy, when passed by cabinet, be implemented with all required funding and human resources.

Moved: Brock Junkin

Seconded: Sam Itkilik

Carried.