Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa 1720 Big Lake Rd. Reservation Business Committee

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IN SUPPORT OF THE "IDLE NO MORE" MOVEMENT BY THE FIRST NATIONS OF CANADA

The Fond du Lac Reservation Business Committee, on behalf of the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa, hereby enacts the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa are a sovereign people, who occupy the Fond du Lac Reservation and retain their aboriginal rights of self-government and self-determination pursuant to the Treaty of LaPointe of September 30, 1854, 10 Stat. 1109; the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, 25 U.S.C. § 461 et seq.; the common law of the United States; and as recognized by the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples of September 17, 2007; and

WHEREAS, it is the sovereign obligation of the Fond du Lac Reservation Business Committee, as the duly-constituted governing body of the Fond du Lac Band, to exercise the responsibilities of self-government and management over the Band's affairs; and

WHEREAS, the Reservation Business Committee finds that recent legislation enacted by the Canadian Government authorizing the extraction of natural resources threatens to diminish protections of the lands and waters of the First Nations in Canada, adversely affecting the health, safety and welfare of the First Nations: and

WHEREAS, this legislation has been enacted without meaningful input from or consultation with the Canadian First Nations; and

WHEREAS, the First Nations of Canada have undertaken a social movement referred to as "Idle No More", which is seeking to have the Canadian government honor treaty relations with the First Nations and recognize their sovereign authority; and

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the Reservation Business Committee recognizes the common WHEREAS. interests of the Fond du Lac Band with the Canadian First Nations:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fond du Lac Reservation Business Committee hereby declares the solidarity of the Fond du Lac Band with the "Idle No More" Movement of the Canadian First Nations, and supports their efforts to restore the sovereign rights of their people and strengthen their nation-to-nation relationship with the Government of Canada.

CERTIFICATION

We do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly presented and acted upon by a vote of 3 for, 2 against, silent, with a quorum of $\frac{4}{2}$ being present at a Special Meeting of the Fond du Lac Reservation Business Committee held on JUNUARY 9, 2013 on the Fond du Lac Reservation.

Chairwoman

Ferdinand Martineau

Secretary/Treasurer

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