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Resolution 2024-02: Northern Ontario Transportation Task Force Resolution

Background:

WHEREAS the President of the NOMA, Wendy Landry and the President of the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, Danny Whalen were tasked by then Minister of Transportation, Mulroney to Co-Chair the Northern Ontario Transportation Task Force; and

WHEREAS this task force consisted of municipal representatives, indigenous representatives, provincial ministry representatives and industry experts; and

WHEREAS the Task Force was charged with reviewing the Draft Transportation Strategy for Northern Ontario and the 67 recommendations within covering transportations sectors including air, marine, roads and highways, winter roads, rail, and the economic and safety impact of each sector; and

WHEREAS the Interim and Final Reports of the Task Force include recommendations with regards to 2 + 1 highways, rest stops, highway construction, passing lanes, highway closures, commercial vehicle licensing and training and highway maintenance and others; and

WHEREAS the Final Report for the Task Force efforts was submitted to the Ministry of Transportation in April 2023; and

WHEREAS to date, the Minister of Transportation and ministry staff have made no comment or accepted any recommendations of the Task Force Interim or Final Report.

Recommendation:

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT NOMA requests the Minister of Transportation and ministry staff to work with the Co-Chairs of the Task Force to consider implementation of the recommendations within the Interim and Final Reports.

Moved By: Fred Mota, Mayor of Red Lake

Seconded By: Mark Figliomeni, CAO of Red Rock

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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Wendy Landry".

President