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| TITLE: | Support for Matching Funds for Shamattawa First Nation Arena |
| SUBJECT: | Supporting First Nation Families |
| MOVED BY: | Chief Jeffery Napoakesik, Shamattawa First Nation, MB |
| SECONDED BY: | Chief Betsy Kennedy, War Lake First Nation, MB |
| DECISION: | Carried by Consensus |

WHEREAS:

A. The Shamattawa First Nation has been working hard to address the epidemic of youth suicides and youth substance abuse in the community by providing social and recreational opportunities for the youth.

B. In order to provide for the youth of the Shamattawa First Nation, the Shamattawa First Nation initiated the construction of an arena to replace the existing community centre facility in 1999.

C. Construction of the arena was suspended after completing 80% of the new facility.

D. The community and Chief and Council of the Shamattawa First Nation have dedicated $600,000 toward a resumed effort to complete construction of the arena. They have received a commitment for $250,000 from the Province of Manitoba, $200,000 from Health Canada and in-kind support from Indian and Northern Affairs Canada and have applied for $600,000 in matching funds from the Recreation and Infrastructure Canada Initiative of Western Diversification Canada.

E. Despite the urgent need to support the youth being highlighted in the proposal by the Shamattawa First Nation and the demonstrated support of Manitoba, Health Canada and Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, Recreation and Infrastructure Canada has denied the funding request of the Shamattawa First Nation.

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Chiefs-in-Assembly:

1. Support the urgent priority of the Shamattawa First Nation to support the youth of the community by constructing a new arena.

2. Call upon the National Chief to advocate in support of securing the $600,000 in matching funding from Recreation and Infrastructure Canada necessary to complete the Shamattawa First Nation arena project.

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