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BC ASSEMBLY OF FIRST NATIONS Online Special Chiefs Assembly

Thursday August 13th, 2020

10:30AM – 12:00PM

Via Zoom

1st NOTICE

To:	All BC Chiefs and Delegates	Date:	July 17, 2020
From:	BCAFN Board of Directors	Pages:	5
RE:	BCAFN ONLINE SPECIAL CHIEFS ASSEMBLY		

The BC Assembly of First Nations (BCAFN) will be hosting an online Special Chiefs Assembly on Thursday August 13, 2020 via Zoom. This Special Chiefs Assembly is a duly convened political meeting and is intended for Chiefs and proxies to consider and adopt new online election rules.

Date: Thursday, August 13, 2020

Link: **Register in advance for this meeting:**
https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMvcOmqqDgpG9dTUie-jAWmgODET0_7P_my
After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Meeting 10:30AM – 12:00PM

Time:

All inquiries, letters of proxy and registrations can be forwarded to the BCAFN Staff, Joanna Prince at:

1020-1200 W.73rd, Vancouver, BC
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NOTICE ATTACHMENTS:

Registration form: To register, please complete and submit the attached registration form no later than Wednesday, August 12, 2020 to Joanna Prince at joanna.prince@bcafn.ca

Proxy letter: We have attached our proxy template should you not be able to attend this meeting. Completed proxy forms may be emailed to joanna.prince@bcafn.ca or faxed to our office at 778-945-9916.

Travel and Accommodation Notice: Travel and accommodation expenses may be provided for BC Chiefs or Chiefs' proxy if they do not have the required bandwidth, wifi infrastructure required to connect remotely from your home/community. Please contact Joanna Prince at 778-945-9911 for additional information or if you have any questions.

Resolutions: Please note there will be consideration of only one resolution regarding the draft online election framework as an addendum to the BCAFN Governance Manual.

Draft Online Voting Framework to the Governance Manual: Please see the attached draft online Voting Framework to be considered at this Special Chiefs Assembly.

On June 1, the BCAFN Board of Directors advised Chiefs that, in light of the safety/health guidelines and restrictions that are in place due to COVID-19, a new date and format for the AGM and elections will be determined. The Board endeavored through a member survey to solicit feedback into the format, timing and structure of the AGM and elections. As a result of this engagement, please see the Draft Online Voting Framework to the Governance Manual for your review.





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BCAFN Special Chiefs Assembly August 13, 2020

REGISTRATION FORM TO PARTICIPATE IN ONLINE SCA via ZOOM

Last Name:		First Name:	
Title/Job Title:			
First Nation/Organization:			
Street Address:			
City:		Postal Code:	
Phone:	Fax:	Cell:	
Email:			

Please identify the manner in which you will be participating in the SCA. If you will be participating via telephone, please list the number you will be calling from for Registration and verification purposes.

Chief	<input type="checkbox"/> via webcam	<input type="checkbox"/> via telephone =>
Proxy Holder	<input type="checkbox"/> via webcam	<input type="checkbox"/> via telephone =>
Participatory Representative*	<input type="checkbox"/> via webcam	<input type="checkbox"/> via telephone =>
Observer**	<input type="checkbox"/> via webcam	<input type="checkbox"/> via telephone =>

* Participatory Representatives include those who:

- Holds office either as a hereditary Chief, traditional leader of a member First Nation, Grand Chief, head of a First Nation provincial/territorial political organization, or head of a tribal council and as such may speak on any Agenda item;
- Is the head of a Treaty group or a First Nation organization or association with which the BC Assembly of First Nations has entered into a written protocol that allows for invitations to be extended to such persons to attend and be permitted to speak at Assemblies on specific issues, as authorized by the protocol;
- Is a member of the BCAFN Board of Directors but is no longer a Chief pursuant to the Society's Constitution and Bylaws and Policy and Procedures Manual; or
- Is a Committee Representative pursuant to the Society's Constitution and Bylaws and Policy and Procedures Manual.

**Any person who is ineligible to register as a Chief, Proxy Holder, Participatory Representative, Elder or Student Observer may apply to register as an Observer.

Registration Deadline: Wednesday, August 12th, 2020

NOTE: Recommended minimum bandwidth to participate effectively via zoom using a webcam is 600 kbps, please check with your service provider to ensure capability. In the event access from your community is not effective there are options provided by BCAFN to Chiefs/ Proxies to participate.

Please contact us if your service is not adequate to participate via webcam.

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SAMPLE LETTER OF PROXY

*TO COMPLETE PROXY LETTER
INSERT ORIGINAL LETTERHEAD OF COMMUNITY HERE*

(Please advise Proxy holders to keep a photocopy of their proxy letter)

Date:

[Your Address]

ATTENTION: REGISTRATION

RE: BCAFN Online Special Chiefs Assembly – August 13, 2020

I, Chief _____ of the _____ First Nation, do
hereby delegate _____ to act as a proxy and vote on behalf of the
_____ First Nation at the BCAFN Online Special Chiefs Assembly on August 13,
2020

Regards,

(Chief's Signature)

(Printed Chief's name)

