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Resolution 04/2020

SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT TO AFN JORDAN'S PRINCIPLE OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

MOVED BY: CHIEF RAY GEROW, BURNS LAKE BAND

SECONDED BY: KUKPI7 WAYNE CHRISTIAN, SPLATSIN

DECISION: CARRIED

WHEREAS:

- A. The Assembly of First Nations (AFN) has a number of policy/issue portfolios that are supported by working groups or committees;
- B. working groups or committees are created by AFN Chiefs Committees;
- C. AFN Resolutions 40/2017, Call on Canada to Comply with the 2016 Canadian Human Rights Tribunal Orders, 83/2016, National Advisory Committee on INAC's Child Welfare Reform Engagement Strategy and 62/2016, Full and Proper Implementation of the Historic Canadian Human Rights Tribunal Decisions in the Provision of Child Welfare Service and Jordan's Principle, calling on Canada to fully and immediately comply with Tribunal rulings to end discriminatory funding of child and family services and to properly implement Jordan's Principle.
- D. To encourage increased dialogue and advise on Jordan's Principle implementation and planning activities, the Jordan's Principle Operations Committee (JPOC) was struck. AFN Resolution 15/2019, *Jordan's Principle Operations* was passed at the AFN AGA in July 2019 and directs AFN

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to ensure ongoing coordination between the JPOC and Jordan's Principle Action Table (JPAT) for long-term implementation goals of all regions.

- E. The November 5, 2019 Terms of Reference for the JPOC mandates the JPOC to:
 - Provide operational guidance on the implementation of the Jordan's Principle;
 - Provide input into the development of a longer-term approach;
 - Champion Jordan's Principle within the Department of Indigenous Services Canada ("ISC"), other federal departments, among First Nations partners and the broader community:
 - Discuss and provide input on key policy and operational issues;
 - Periodically review updates on progress, performance, and the achievement of key milestones; and
 - Keep participating organizations and the wider community informed about the work accomplished by the Jordan's Principle Operations Committee.
- F. On August 30, 2019 the BCAFN received a letter from AFN CEO Paulette Tremblay, requesting the BCAFN to consider an individual from the BC Region who "will best present a regional perspective on Jordan's Principle implementation and the path forward;"
- F. Per section 9.4 of the BCAFN Governance Manual, representatives are appointed to AFN Chief and Technical Committees by the Regional Chief and Board of Directors,
 - 9.4 The AFN delegates to the Regional Chief specific portfolios relating to national policy matters. These portfolios are held by the Regional Chief and supported by various AFN Committees. The Regional Chief and the Board jointly appoint member delegates or external technical experts to sit on AFN Committees from time to time to represent BCAFN; and
- G. In an effort to increase transparency and accountability, the Regional Chief determined to bring the appointment of one (1) representative to the AFN Jordan's Principle Operations Committee to the BCAFN Chiefs-in-Assembly for determination.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- The BCAFN Chiefs-in-Assembly directs the Regional Chief and BCAFN Board of Directors to appoint the following one representative to the AFN Jordan's Principle Operations Committee: 1.Warner Adam
- 2. The BCAFN Chiefs-in-Assembly calls on the BCAFN representatives to the AFN Jordan's Principle Operations Committee to provide regular updates to the BCAFN Chiefs-in-Assembly.

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