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October 14, 15 & 16, 2026
In person & online via Zoom

Resolution 23(c)/2026

SUBJECT: **APPOINTMENT OF B.C. COMMISSIONER TO THE NATIONAL CHILDREN'S CHIEFS COMMISSION**

MOVED BY:

SECONDED BY:

DECISION:

WHEREAS:

A. Pursuant to Assembly of First Nations (AFN) Resolution 60/2024, *Addressing Long-Term Reform of First Nations Child and Family Services Program and Jordan's Principle*, the Chiefs-in-Assembly directed the AFN to establish a National Children's Chiefs Commission (NCCC), to work openly and transparently to provide strategic direction and oversight of the Long-term Reform agreement negotiations;

B. the NCCC has been established with representation from 11 regions across Canada, including regions not represented by the AFN, has been holding regular meetings since December 2024, and has appointed a Chair and Co-Chair;

C. the NCCC is accountable to the AFN First Nations-in-Assembly and is responsible for updating their respective AFN Executive member on the NCCC's priorities, and progress, and report on progress bi-annually to First Nations-in-Assembly at AFN assemblies.

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D. through BCAFN Resolution 20/2025, *Support for the National Children's Chiefs Commission*, the BCAFN Chiefs-in-Assembly supported the NCCC's mandate to oversee and provide strategic direction for the negotiation of national agreements for the long-term reform of the First Nations Child and Family Services (FNCFS) program and Jordan's Principle;

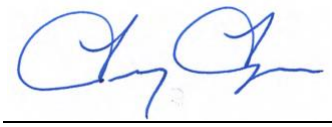
E. pursuant to the NCCC's Terms of Reference, The NCCC will consist of members appointed by AFN Regional Chiefs through regional decision-making processes, representing a diverse group of First Nations; and

F. on September 28, 2026, BC Commissioner and former Kukpi7 of Tsq̓éscen First Nation, Helen Henderson, officially submitted her resignation from the NCCC to the Regional Chief.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The BCAFN Chiefs-in-Assembly endorse the appointment of Chief Linda Innes of Gitxaala First Nation as the B.C. Commissioner to the National Children's Chiefs Commission, effective immediately.

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