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**SUPPORT FOR AN INUVIALUIT
WESTERN ARCTIC REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY**

WHEREAS the Inuvialuit Final Agreement was passed into law by the Parliament of Canada on July 25th, 1984;

AND WHEREAS the Inuvialuit have proposed the establishment, of a Western Arctic Regional Municipality;

AND WHEREAS the Dene of the Deh Cho Region believe strongly in the rights of aboriginal peoples to establish models of self-government and self-determination within the framework provided by land claims agreements with the Government of Canada;

AND WHEREAS the Inuvialuit proposal for the establishment of a Western Arctic Regional Municipality has not received extensive support to date within the Legislative Assembly of the Northwest Territories;

AND WHEREAS the Legislative Assembly of the Northwest Territories is presently considering a planning document entitled Strength at Two Levels (also known as the Beatty Report) which may have negative implications for the evolution of Regional Government;

AND WHEREAS the rights of aboriginal peoples to govern themselves in the fashion they determine should not be reduced to the level of making political "deals" with the leadership of other Regions;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Deh Cho Regional Council without the offer or exchange of any political commitment, supports the Inuvialuit Regional Corporation fully in its efforts to advance the principle of a Western Arctic Regional Municipality in lands within areas governed by the Inuvialuit Final Agreement.

Moved by Ray Michaud

Seconded by Jim Thom

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