

## Template 11: Resolution of Support for Language

FIRST NATION or AUTHORITY:

CHIEF'S COUNCIL/ANNUAL

GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

DATE:

LOCATION:

RESOLUTION NUMBER:

RE: RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR COMMUNITY LANGUAGE PRESERVATION AND REVITALIZATION

DEFINITIONS:

Where the Language means the traditional language of the First Nation,

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of First Nations Language)

Where the Community means the people and institutions of the First Nation,

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of First Nations community)

Where the Language Authority means the official Language Authority of the First Nations language group (if applicable)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of official language Authority)

### **PREAMBLE:**

**WHEREAS** *the Community* has identified a need to support *the Language* through language preservation and revitalization.

**WHEREAS** *the Language* is decreasing in numbers of fluent speakers in *the Community*, and requires support to strengthen its use and future in *the Community*.

**WHEREAS** the *United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, Article 13* supports the rights of Indigenous peoples to "revitalize, use, develop and transmit to future generations their histories, languages, oral traditions, philosophies, writing systems and literatures, and to designate and retain their own names for communities, places and persons."

**WHEREAS** status of *the Language* is currently described as endangered by the UNESCO Atlas of the World's Languages in Danger, EndangeredLanguages.com, and the First Peoples' Cultural Council.

**WHEREAS**

[Identify the organization(s) that are working on addressing the problem. Identify the Language Authority responsible for the language of the community, if available.]

**WHEREAS**

[Detail the problem to be addressed, and attach any relevant background information to the Support Resolution.]

**STATEMENT OF SUPPORT OF RESOLUTION**

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** [State the name of the authority or First Nation and a statement of support for community language planning.]

**THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** [State the action plan for the support resolution.]

**THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** [Detail the actions necessary to fulfill the purpose of the support resolution, who is responsible for the actions outlined, how the actions outlined are to be performed, and when the actions outlined are to be performed.]

**THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** [State the ability of the First Nation or Authority to recommend actions or to support actions of third parties involved in language planning and activities.]

**THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** [Document available funding and resources for the actions recommended in the Support Resolution.]

Moved:

Seconded:

Disposition:

Date: