

**DEH CHO FIRST NATIONS  
Spring Leadership Meeting  
Fort Liard, Denendeh — 97 MAY 26-30**

**DCFN LEADERSHIP RESOLUTION 97MAY29-#08**

**Re. Forgiving Taxes on Papal Site**

**WHEREAS** the aboriginal peoples of the Deh Cho territory have occupied and used our lands since time immemorial in ways that ensure our lands are available to the generations yet to come,

**AND WHEREAS** the aboriginal peoples of the Deh Cho territory have respected use of our lands by newcomers and, at Treaty making, agreed to share our lands with the Crown,

**AND WHEREAS** the Village of Fort Simpson has levied taxes on Lídliĭ Kùé First Nation for the Papal Site before it became a heritage site,

**AND WHEREAS** Lídliĭ Kùé First Nation has requested that the Village of Fort Simpson forgive tax arrears on the Papal Site before it became a heritage site —

**THEREFORE, by our inherent right to govern ourselves,** the DCFN Leadership resolves to support the request by Lídliĭ Kùé First Nation, particularly given the lack of untied funding available to aboriginal governments in the Deh Cho for such extraordinary expenditures;

**AND THEREFORE,** the DCFN Leadership encourage the Village of Fort Simpson in the spirit of the relationship between our peoples and the Crown, which was affirmed through our peoples' agreement to share our lands at Treaty making, to respect this request and the DCFN Leadership's support for it.

**MOVED BY**  
**SECONDED BY**

Chief Lloyd Chicot, Kààgee Tú First Nation  
Elder Gabe Hardisty, Pehdzeh Kí First Nation

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