



DEHCHO FIRST NATIONS

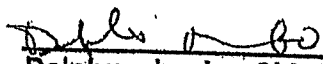
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Resolution # 02

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Dolphus Jumbo, Chief
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Seconded by:


Michael Vandell, Chief
Deh Gah Gotle First Nation

For: 34
Opposed: 1
Abstentions: 5

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Herb Norweglan
Grand Chief

**RE: Dehcho Process – Dehcho Declaration and
Implementing Treaty and Inherent Rights**

WHEREAS, the Dehcho Process is grounded in upholding and implementing the Dehcho version of Treaty 11, which is a solemn and binding agreement between Dehcho Dene and the Crown; and

WHEREAS, the Dehcho Process has, since 2001, sought to articulate and implement the spirit and intent of Treaty through a modern agreement that affirms Dehcho jurisdiction over lands, waters, and governance, consistent with inherent rights and Dene Laws; and

WHEREAS, negotiations remain ongoing and are currently focused on advancing a non-binding Agreement-in-Principle that reflects the Dehcho vision for self-determination and stewardship of our homeland; and

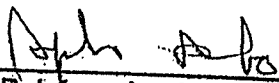
WHEREAS, many Dehcho First Nations members have voiced increasing concern over the prolonged nature of these discussions and the need for renewed momentum and accountability; and

WHEREAS, previous Dehcho Assemblies have passed resolutions mandating the completion of a non-binding Agreement-in-Principle, to be brought before the Assembly for decision;

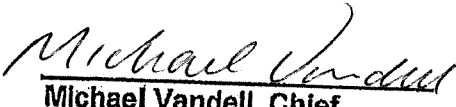
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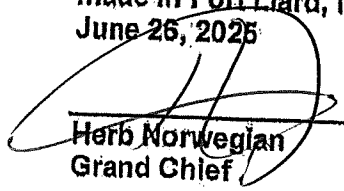
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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT,

1. Dehcho First Nations Negotiators are mandated to uphold, protect and build upon Treaty 11 and Dehcho Inherent rights in all aspects of the Dehcho Process; and
2. Negotiators are directed to take all necessary steps to bring forward the strongest possible non-binding Agreements-in-Principle, as quickly as possible, that advances Dehcho Jurisdiction, based on Treaty and our Inherent rights; and
3. Negotiators must engage fully with communities throughout the process and aim to complete this phase of negotiations as efficiently and transparently as possible; and
4. Upon completion, the non-binding Agreement-in-Principle will be subject to thorough community consultations, and no final decision will be made without a vote by the Dehcho Assembly.