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BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
Nova Métis Heritage Association  
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By Registered Mail

Dear Mesdames/Sirs:

Re: Non-compliance with MNBC Constitution and Community Governance Charter

This letter constitutes notice to you that the Board of Directors of Métis Nation British Columbia (MNBC) is considering taking action to terminate the Community Governance Charter (the "Charter") that is in place between MNBC and the Nova Métis Heritage Association ("Nova"). The termination of the Charter is being contemplated pursuant to Article 8.2 of the Charter, and Article 59.1 of the MNBC Constitution.

Termination of the Charter is considered appropriate for the following reasons:

1. Upon review of the Nova society documents it reveals that only one member of the Nova Board of Directors is currently registered as a Citizen with MNBC. Three of the other Board members have their Citizenship on hold for renewal, and four other Board members are non-Citizens.

Article 2.6 of the Charter provides that Nova acknowledges and agrees to comply with the provisions of the MNBC Citizenship Act, which Act requires Community Acceptance for any applicants for Citizenship. It is clearly contrary to the purpose and intent of the MNBC Citizenship Act if only a single member of the Nova Board of Directors is a MNBC Citizen and that Board, being comprised of non-Citizens is deciding on whether new applicants should be granted Community Acceptance.

2. Failure to comply with Article 2.5 of the Charter that requires Nova to submit any and all notices of community meetings as may be considered appropriate, through the MPCBC/MNBC Regional Director.

Nova has failed to adhere to Article 2.5 for at least the last four years.

3. Failure to comply with Article 3.1 of the Charter that requires Nova to be financially accountable to its Citizens and members and to MNBC by producing certified financial statements being made available annually.

Although the provision of certified financial statements to the Nova Members and the MNBC may not be pursued, annual financial reports are required. MNBC has never been provided with such information and the MNBC is not aware of any such reports being provided to all Citizens and Nova members. All Citizens and Nova members have a right to receive that financial information, as does MNBC.

4. Failure to comply with Article 3.3 of the Charter that requires the holding of Annual General Meetings. That requirement is based on the provisions of the Society Act of the Province of British Columbia. Article 3.3 also states that Nova agrees to provide at least two weeks advance notice to all Nova Citizens and members as well as to the MPCBC/MNBC Regional Director of the date, location and agenda for the Nova Annual General Meeting.

The Association has failed to provide adequate notice to its members in advance of annual general meetings. Providing proper notice to Nova members is a fundamental requirement of the BC Societies Act and you have failed in that regard.

The aforementioned breaches of the Charter combined with the fact that your President, Ken Fisher, has been removed from the MNBC legislative body being the Métis Nation Governing Assembly (MNGA) for reasons of conflict of interest have given cause to the Board of Directors of MNBC to consider taking the above noted action to terminate the Charter between MNBC and the Nova Métis Heritage Association.

The Board of Directors of Nova Métis Heritage Association is hereby given 30 days from the date of this letter to address the breaches that have been listed above and to advise the MNBC Board in writing with the steps that Nova will be taking forthwith to adequately remedy the breaches.

Failure to satisfactorily respond as set out herein will leave the MNBC Board of Directors with no choice but to present the matter together with this letter to the MNGA and recommend termination of the Charter.

As the governing body for the Metis Citizens of British Columbia, the MNBC Board must ensure that the interests of all Métis Citizens including those in the Nova Community are protected, and the evidence to date suggests you have failed to meet your responsibilities in that respect.

Sincerely,



Clara Morin Dal Col,  
President

Cc: Gary Biggar, MNBC Regional Director  
Nova Citizens and Members

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