



Resolution Duly Approved by the
Métis Nation-Saskatchewan
Provincial Métis Council on January 20, 2026
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Advancing a Regional Needs Assessment and Prioritization of the Regions Act

WHEREAS the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) recognizes the distinctiveness of Métis identity, culture, values and language - inclusive of Knowledge Keepers, Kihitêyak, Lii Vyeu Moond (the “Old Ones” or Elders), Youth, Women and distinctive resources – which are incorporated into proposals and decisions of the Provincial Métis Council (PMC);

WHEREAS elected leaders require dedicated administrative and operational support to fulfill governance responsibilities effectively and serve citizens with excellence;

WHEREAS MN-S has experienced significant growth in the number of citizens and governance responsibilities, increasing the complexity of service delivery, accountability, and community engagement;

WHEREAS this growth has placed additional demands on Regional Representatives and their offices, creating financial strain and operational challenges, with no available internal funding to offset these pressures;

WHEREAS regional administrative staff are generally funded through regional capacity allocations;

WHEREAS a responsible, whole-of-government approach is required to ensure consistent, efficient processes across regional offices, eliminate service gaps, and strengthen MN-S's governance capacity;

WHEREAS fiscal financing negotiations and Treaty implementation must be informed by evidence-based assessments of regional needs, including infrastructure, staffing, and operational supports, to define the true cost of effective self-government; and

WHEREAS a comprehensive Regional Office Needs Assessment is essential to map functions, analyze requirements, and ensure regions are prepared to operate and govern confidently under a clear mandate, including during Treaty implementation;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the PMC directs the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), in collaboration with the Finance Committee and Regional Representatives, to conduct a Regional Needs Assessment to identify operational needs and required supports for regional offices, including office space, staffing, and administrative resources, to enable effective regional operations within the MN-S government;

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the PMC prioritizes the continued development of the Regions Act, informed by the Regional Needs Assessment, to clarify regional roles and responsibilities and ensure alignment with MN-S's governance objectives;

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the PMC directs the CEO to provide a workplan detailing budget, timeline and proposed approach to the Regional Needs Assessment to the PMC in three months.

Dated this 20th of January, 2026

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