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PRESS RELEASE

KLCC approves Urgent Process for proposed Residency Law

For immediate release

(Kahnawake – 17, Tsothohrhkó:wa/January 2017) The Kahnawà:ke Legislative Coordinating Commission would like to inform the community that a proposed *Kahnawà:ke Residency Law* will proceed onto the Legislative Calendar and has been categorized as **Type I – Urgent**.

While there have been three requests for the creation of a Residency Law, the most recent request was based on the implications of the Quebec Superior Court's *Descheneaux Decision* and the time constraints caused by impending changes to Canada's *Indian Act*. This made the need for Kahnawà:ke legislation both urgent and a priority.

The Proponent of the proposed law, letsénhaienhs Rhonda Kirby, has already begun front-end work on the Information Dissemination process. Once this is completed, the Community will be asked to decide whether to give a mandate to proceed with the proposed legislation. Dates should be announced in the near future.

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