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Kahnawà:ke Residency Law one step closer to passage

For immediate release

(Kahnawake – 3, Onerahtohkó:wa/May 2019) The Kahnawà:ke Legislative Coordinating Commission wishes to advise the community that the revised Definition of *Onkwehón:we Ancestry* included in the draft *Kahnawà:ke Residency Law* was accepted at last evening's meeting.

The meeting had been requested by the Technical Drafting Committee after it became clear that changes made to the Definition in a previous meeting were problematic. The proposal was made to have the Definition revert to its original wording to avoid issues of inconsistency. After a brief presentation and explanation of the rationale, consensus was reached after a twenty minute discussion/question period.

With this task completed, the draft *Kahnawà:ke Residency Law* will be posted in the upcoming days for a final two-week period before being brought forth for Final Reading and formal passage by Chief & Council. It is important to note that, since this law is being created via the Community Decision Making Process ('CDMP') Urgent Process, it will be required to be re-submitted into the regular CDMP within a year of enactment.

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