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## Tsi Nahóten Karihwanákere No'nenk - News Release

### Chiefs sign Oath of Office

#### For immediate release

(16, Seskéha/August 2004) The Mohawk Council of Kahnawá:ke (MCK) has passed a resolution (an “oath of office”) that outlines the duties and responsibilities of the MCK chiefs. The resolution (MCR #26/2004-2005) was passed unanimously and signed by all twelve chiefs.

Selected highlights of the document include:

- A solemn declaration that the chiefs’ primary duty is to serve Kahnawa’kehró:non
- Accountability to the People, other chiefs and the MCK as an institution
- Conflict of interest guidelines
- A clause that acknowledges that information obtained in the course of executing one’s mandate cannot be used or divulged for personal gain
- A clause that acknowledges that sensitive documents are not be released against the wishes of the Council table

“This allows us to get down to the business of providing good government for the people of Kahnawá:ke,” stated Grand Chief Mike Delisle. “The fact that all twelve chiefs signed the resolution means that all twelve will be equally accountable to the community and to each other.”

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