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WHEREAS the Mohawk People (Kanien'kehá:ka Kahnawa'kehró:non), as part of the Mohawk Nation (Kanien'kehá:ka) and the Iroquois Confederacy (Rotinonhsonnión:we) are, and have always been a sovereign people;

WHEREAS the Kanien'kehá:ka Kahnawa'kehró:non have consistently and historically declared their right to govern their own affairs;

WHEREAS the Kanien'kehá:ka Kahnawa'kehró:non have stated their intention to reinstate the structures, philosophies, concepts and principles of Mohawk Traditional Government as embodied by the Great Law of Peace (Kaianere'kó:wa);

WHEREAS the Kanien'kehá:ka Kahnawa'kehró:non abide by the principles of Power, Peace, and Righteousness prescribed in and in accordance with the Kaianere'kó:wa;

WHEREAS these principles have governed, and continue to govern, the direction of the Mohawk Nation since time immemorial;

WHEREAS the Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke conducted a comprehensive organizational review;

WHEREAS the organizational review resulted in a new organizational Structural Blueprint whereby the request for decision was approved by Chief and Council on June 25, 2012;

WHEREAS the key Leadership Positions have been developed and the Master Placement Plan request for decision was supported by Chief and Council on April 22, 2014;

WHEREAS The Organizational Review Project identified a need for all MCK Units to have a formal mandate to ensure clear description of scope, authority and responsibility and governance of the unit.

WHEREAS The Mandate Policy was developed and approved by the Finance Administrative and Operations (FAO) Committee on March 23, 2017, to ensure a structured and governed process to guide the development of unit mandates.

WHEREAS from May – June 2017, the draft mandates were reviewed at Strategic Discussions with Chief & Council.

WHEREAS the **Legal Services** Unit has the authority to govern its activities and will be accountable to the Executive Office;

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT DIRECTED that the Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke (herein after 'organization') affirms that the **Legal Services** Unit provides legal support and protection of the organization, as further defined in the attached **Legal Services** Unit mandate V.0.14, June 20, 2017.

FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED that the unit mandate and MCED will be reviewed and amended on an annual basis and brought back to Chief and Council for approval.

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