**TEMPLATE BAND COUNCIL RESOLUTION FOR NEGOTIATING FIRST NATIONS**

**Mandate for Negotiations**

**Education Jurisdiction Coordinator/Negotiator**

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ [*name*] is appointed as education jurisdiction coordinator/negotiator and has the mandate and instructions to negotiate and finalize a draft Canada-First Nation Education Jurisdiction Agreement for consideration by Chief and Council.

***OPTIONAL – the following matters can be addressed in the BCR at this time or at a later date. However, these matters must be addressed before the agreement can be finalized.***

The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ First Nation/Band Council directs the education jurisdiction coordinator/negotiator to incorporate the following instructions into the Agreement:

**Issue #1 – Establishment of a Community Education Authority (CEA) (choose one of these):**

\_\_\_\_ Option 1: Leave the clauses in, but choose not to establish a CEA at this time (*Note: this leaves open the possibility of establishing a CEA at some point in the future, but would not require the First Nation to establish one at this time*)

\_\_\_\_ Option 2: Leave the clauses in and choose to establish a CEA

\_\_\_\_ Option 3: Choose not to have the option of establishing a CEA (*Note: this means the First Nation would never have the option of establishing a CEA*)

**Issue #2 – Ratification (choose one of these):**

\_\_\_\_ Option 1: Leave threshold as described in template – 50% plus one of votes cast (*Note: this is the minimum threshold and the one already set out in the Agreement*)

\_\_\_\_ Option 2: Change the threshold to a higher threshold – \_\_\_\_% of votes cast (*Note: the First Nation could, for example, raise to “60%” or “70%” of votes cast*)

\_\_\_\_ Option 3: Change the threshold to a threshold that relates to the number of eligible voters (rather than votes cast) – 50% plus one [*or a higher %*] of eligible voters (*Note: the First Nation could, for example, state that the threshold will be “50% plus one” or “60%” of all members who are eligible to vote*)