## **VUNTUT GWITCHIN GOVERNMENT**

## **Government of Vuntut Gwitchin First Nation**



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#### **VUNTUT GWITCHIN FIRST NATION**

### COUNCIL RESOLUTION 08-24-2023 - #48

**RE: RESCINDING AUGUST 14, 2023 EVACUATION ALERT** 

#### WHEREAS:

- A. On August 3, 2023, Council passed resolution 08-03-2023 #42 which, pursuant to the Community Emergency Act (the "Act"), made and brought into effect:
  - a Community Emergency Declaration based on upon the active and imminent threats posed by wildfires
    and wildfire smoke near and around Old Crow on Vuntut Gwitchin First Nation Settlement Land (the
    "August 3, 2023 Declaration"); and
  - (2) a Community Emergency Order establishing certain temporary measures necessary to address the active and imminent threats posed by wildfires and wildfire smoke near and around Old Crow on Vuntut Gwitchin First Nation Settlement Land, including the provision of an evacuation alert and authorization for emergency payments (the "August 3, 2023 Order");
- B. On August 9, 2023, on recommendation of the Government of Yukon Wildland Fire Management ("WFM") and in coordination with Government of Yukon Emergency Measures Organization ("EMO"), Council passed resolution 08-09-2023 #43, which, pursuant to the Act, amended the August 3, 2023 Order to provide for the evacuation of Settlement Land due to an elevated risk of danger to residents and occupants of Old Crow (the "August 9, 2023 Evacuation Order");
- C. On August 14, 2023, in consultation with the WFM and EMO, Council passed resolution 08-14-2023 #46 to rescind the August 9, 2023 Evacuation Order and bring into effect an evacuation alert for Old Crow as a special temporary measure under the Act (the "August 14, 2023 Evacuation Alert") while keeping in effect the August 3, 2023 Declaration, subsection 1(c) of the August 3, 2023 Order authorizing emergency payments and Council's community safety officer designations made under the Act; and
- D. Following further consultation with WFM, Council now wishes to rescind the August 14, 2023 Evacuation Alert while keeping in effect the August 3, 2023 Declaration, subsection 1(c) of the August 3, 2023 Order authorizing emergency payments and Council's community safety officer designations made under the Act.

# THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE VUNTUT GWITCHIN FIRST NATION RESOLVES THAT:

# Rescinding August 14, 2023 Evacuation Alert

1. The August 14, 2023 Evacuation Alert set out in section 2 of Council resolution 08-14-2023 - #46 is hereby repealed pursuant to section 7 of the Act.

**THIS RESOLUTION** being duly approved by a consensus of the Council at a meeting duly convened on August 24, 2023 at Old Crow, Yukon.

Chief Pauline Frost

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Councillor Crystal Linklater

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