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WHEREAS discussions with an advisory team for Forest Tenure Modernization in the Temagami Management Unit started in October, 2013. This area encompasses 450,000 hectares of Crown managed forest, and contributes to wood supply for 3 major mills, GP-Englehart, Eacom Timber-Elk Lake, and Goulard Lumber-Sturgeon Falls, and minor licence holders;

AND WHEREAS this advisory team (representatives from First Nation groups, Forest Industry leaders, Municipal representatives, and MNRF staff) have developed 3 reports and a framework document over the past 5 years, which have been presented to the Ministry;

AND WHEREAS these reports were developed and encouraged by then Minister McGarry, to investigate the potential establishment of a Local Forest Management Corporation (LFMC) for the Temagami Forest Management Unit;

AND WHEREAS the advisory team, is now requesting a meeting with Minister Yakabuski and his support for a submission to the Treasury Board, leading to the establishment of the LFMC;

AND WHEREAS many direct and indirect jobs in Northeastern Ontario are created from this Forest Management Unit.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Temiskaming Mayors Action Group (TeMAG) provides its unanimous support for this initiative, and requests that the Minister meet with the advisory team as soon as possible, as setting up this LFMC is a time sensitive issue for the Temagami Forest Management Unit.

And that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, and the Temagami Forest Modernization Advisory Team.

CARRIED.



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