TITLE:	Class Action Support Resolution re: 60's Scoop
SUBJECT:	Social
MOVED BY:	Chief David Babin, Wahgoshig First Nation, ON
SECONDED BY:	Chief Aruthur Moore, Constance Lake First Nation, ON
DECISION:	Passed provisionally by AFN Executive Committee on September 10, 2009

WHEREAS:

A. First Nations in Canada have been tragically affected by the adoption out of First Nations children (16,810 treaty status children, DIAND Statistics, 1996) in the last thirty years.

B. The 'sixties scoop' violated the fundamental rights of vulnerable children and resulted in severe and long term personal and social impacts on First Nations families and communities that amounted to genocide.

C. The children and families of the 'sixties scoop' are now searching for each other and their rightful place as First Nations peoples.

D. Federal and provincial laws, policies and programs relating to the adoption of First Nations children are extensions of Canada's policies of assimilation that target First Nations children and have resulted in the destruction of First Nations families and communities, and,

E. On February 9, 2009, Marcia Brown and Robert Commanda filed a class action in the Ontario Superior Court of Justice against the Attorney General of Canada requesting certification of the class members and for a declaration that the Canada owed and was in breach of its non delegable fiduciary duty of care and protection of aboriginal rights and committed the actionable wrong of identity genocide of children in relation to the sixties scoop.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Chiefs-in-Assembly:

1. That the National Chief and the Assembly of First Nations support the 'sixties scoop' class action, and the relief claimed therein, commenced by Marcia Brown and Robert Commanda on behalf of First Nations peoples and communities in Canada affected by the 'sixties scoop'.

Certified copy of a resolution adopted on the 10th day of September, 2009 in Gatineau, Quebec

SHAWN A-IN-CHUT ATLEO, NATIONAL CHIEF