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WHEREAS, The City of Calgary has a long standing relationship with Treaty 7 Nations;

AND WHEREAS, The City of Calgary, in partnership with the Chiefs of Treaty 7, established the Calgary Aboriginal Urban Affairs Committee (CAUAC) in 1979 whose main objective is to provide advice on Treaty 7 and urban Indigenous topics to benefit the Corporation;

AND WHEREAS, The City of Calgary Council approved CAUAC's 10-Year Strategic Plan, and expects the CAUAC to report annually on their progress;

AND WHEREAS, The Calgary Aboriginal Urban Affairs Committee acts as an important steward for implementing the 10-Year Strategic Plan;

AND WHEREAS, The City of Calgary has committed to respond to the Truth and Reconciliation Commissions Calls to Action;

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AND WHEREAS, The City of Calgary has endorsed the White Goose Flying Report produced by CAUAC, identifying 43 of the 94 Calls to Action where the City has a role;

AND WHEREAS, The City of Calgary has developed the Indigenous Policy Framework to guide the City's work along the path of Reconciliation;

AND WHEREAS, The City of Calgary has developed the Indigenous Policy which will guide The City's work to expand our understandings, our engagements, our relationships, and our common ground approach to truly being an inclusive and equitable place for all Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples;

AND WHEREAS, The City of Calgary currently has one Issue Strategist within Calgary Neighborhoods' assigned to support CAUAC and the implementation of its 10-Year Strategic Plan:

Signature of Member(s) of Council



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AND WHEREAS, with The City of Calgary's commitment to Reconciliation, to the Indigenous Policy and Policy Framework, and its relationships with Treaty 7 Nations and urban Indigenous citizens clearer resources and positions to fulfill these commitments are required;

AND WHEREAS, having a separate and distinct Indigenous Relations Office would provide comprehensive and front facing support for both the City of Calgary as well as the public;

AND WHEREAS, The City of Calgary Council approved in 2014 CAUAC's 10-Year Strategic Plan, in particular, *GOAL 2.* Relationship Building: Ways of Harmony – CAUAC supports the development of collaborative relationships and partnerships between the Aboriginal people of Calgary, the surrounding First Nation communities and The City of Calgary, and **Strategy 2.2** – CAUAC will develop a proposal for establishment of a City of Calgary Indigenous Relations Office;

AND WHEREAS, The City of Calgary's long-term commitment to the progression CAUAC's 10-Year Strategic Plan, and the successful implementation of the White Goose Flying Calls to Action, the Indigenous Policy Framework, and the Indigenous Policy requires political will, joint leadership with Indigenous staff, building relationships between City staff and Indigenous people, building trust, accountability and transparency between City staff and our Indigenous citizens;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That Administration consider the establishment of a distinct Indigenous Relations Office set out to address our Indigenous commitments and to support our Indigenous relations with our Treaty 7 partners, as well as all Indigenous peoples living within the city of Calgary borders, to return to Council for budget consideration in November 2018.

Signature of Member(s) of Council