# TO THE HONOURABLE THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

Your Standing Committee on LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS presents the following as its Fifth Report.

# Meeting

Your Committee met on the following occasions in Room 254 of the Legislative Building:

- Thursday, June 4, 2009
- Monday, June 8, 2009

#### **Matter under Consideration**

• **Bill** (No. 6) – The East Side Traditional Lands Planning and Special Protected Areas Act/Loi sur l'aménagement des terres traditionnelles situées du côté est et les zones protégées spéciales

### **Committee Membership**

Committee Membership for the Thursday, June 4, 2009 meeting:

- Ms. Blady
- Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK
- Mr. Derkach
- Mr. EICHLER
- Mr. GOERTZEN
- Mr. REID
- Hon. Mr. ROBINSON
- Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS
- Hon. Mr. SWAN
- Mrs. TAILLIEU
- Hon. Ms. WOWCHUK

Your Committee elected Ms. BLADY as the Chairperson.

Your Committee elected Mr. REID as the Vice-Chairperson.

Committee Membership for the Monday, June 8, 2009 meeting:

- Ms. BLADY (Chairperson)
- Hon. Mr. BLAIKIE
- Mr. CALDWELL
- Mr. GRAYDON
- Mr. MaguireMr. Martindale
- Mr. Pedersen
- Hon. Mr. ROBINSON
- Mrs. ROWAT
- Mr. SARAN
- Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS

Your Committee elected Mr. MARTINDALE as the Vice-Chairperson.

### **Public Presentations**

Your Committee heard the following seven presentations on **Bill (No. 6)** – The East Side Traditional Lands Planning and Special Protected Areas Act/Loi sur l'aménagement des terres traditionnelles situées du côté est et les zones protégées spéciales:

Chief David Harper
Chief Gilbert Andrews
Chief Gilbert Andrews on behalf of Manto Sipi Cree Nation

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Chief Oliver Okemow

Chief Gilbert Andrews on behalf of Bunibonibee Cree Nation

Chief Bailey Colon

Michael Anderson Manitoba Keewatinowi Okimakanak Inc. (MKO)

# Private Citizen International Institute for Sustainable Development

# **Bill Considered and Reported**

• **Bill** (No. 6) – The East Side Traditional Lands Planning and Special Protected Areas Act/Loi sur l'aménagement des terres traditionnelles situées du côté est et les zones protégées spéciales

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill, with the following amendments:

THAT the Bill be amended by adding the following after Clause 1:

#### **Objectives**

- **1.1** The objectives of this Act include
  - (a) developing a new government-to-government relationship between the Wabanong Nakaygum Okimawin (East Side) First Nations and the government arising out of the east side planning initiative; and
  - (b) implementing the goals and objectives of the Wabanong Nakaygum Okimawin Council of Chiefs Accord dated April 3, 2007, in accordance with the principles set out in that accord.

THAT the Bill be amended by adding the following after Clause 2:

### **Aboriginal rights protected**

**2.1** This Act is not to be interpreted so as to abrogate or derogate from the aboriginal and treaty rights of the aboriginal peoples of Canada that are recognized and affirmed by section 35 of the *Constitution Act*, 1982.

Submitted by,
 Ms. Sharon Blady, Chairperson June 8, 2009