RESOLUTION #31

TITLE:
A healthy Canadian boreal forest for people, wildlife, and the economy

WHEREAS

Canada's boreal forest presents an outstanding global conservation opportunity as the boreal is the world's largest source of unfrozen fresh water and the earth's greatest terrestrial storehouse of carbon.

As Canada's boreal forest region is still relatively intact, we have the chance to plan wisely for its future. To seize this opportunity, the Canadian Boreal Forest Agreement (CBFA) was formed. The CBFA is an unprecedented partnership between 21 major North American forest products companies and seven leading environmental organizations. It seeks to achieve mutual objectives including high degrees of social and economic prosperity while maintaining the health of the boreal and its wildlife populations.

The work of the CBFA is not intended to take the place of or usurp any existing or future public government or Aboriginal government processes that address similar issues.

THEREFORE

We highly appreciate the activity of the CBFA, and the fact that the signatories recognize the fact that legal responsibility and authority for land use decisions and for conservation and resource management policy rests with public governments and Aboriginal governments.

We highly appreciate that the CBFA seeks to create a space to develop solutions together, which can then be proposed to all governments, including Aboriginal governments.

RESOLVED

We encourage the governments of Canada to provide support to the CBFA and to favourably consider upcoming proposals from this initiative.

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