

MUTN-RELATED RESOLUTIONS PASSED AT THE NCMA CONVENTION MAY 7, 2009

A1: MEASURING UP THE NORTH-OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLANS

WHEREAS the Measuring Up The North Initiative has been successful in helping BC communities assess and improve how livable, age-friendly, disability-friendly, universally designed and inclusive they are for all citizens and visitors;

AND WHEREAS these improvements have been on a community-by-community basis:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the NCMA requests that UBCM work with the Province of BC to ensure that future Local Government Official Community Plans consider age-friendly, disability-friendly, universal-design principles.

A2: MEASURING UP THE NORTH FUNDING

WHEREAS the Measuring Up The North Initiative has been successful in helping BC communities assess and improve how livable, age-friendly, disability-friendly, universally designed and inclusive they are for all citizens and visitors;

AND WHEREAS the Measuring Up The North Initiative, through its unique principles and process, has come to serve as a model for all of British Columbia:

AND WHEREAS the funding for the Measuring Up The North Initiative will be ending in August of 2009:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that NCMA requests that UBCM work with the Provincial Government to ensure that the Measuring Up The North Initiative is extended and continues its vital work:

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Provincial Government provide adequate funding to Local Governments to implement the Measuring Up The North Initiative.

A3: MEASURING UP THE NORTH-ACCESSIBILITY STANDARDS

WHEREAS the Measuring Up The North Initiative has been successful in helping BC communities assess and improve how livable, age-friendly, disability-friendly, universally designed and inclusive they are for all citizens and visitors;

AND WHEREAS the BC Building Code provides only minimal accessibility requirements:

AND WHEREAS the CAN CSA-B651 Accessibility for the Built Environment Standard is recognized as a model standard for many Canadian jurisdictions including all federally owned and leased properties:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that members of the NCMA be encouraged to utilize the CAN CSA-B651 Accessibility for the Built Environment Standard (current edition) in any planning, new construction and renovations