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Dear Kwanlin Dün Citizens:

Re: Amendments to the *Election Act*

The Council of Kwanlin Dün First Nation is considering changes to the KDFN *Election Act*. We are sending this notification because the *Governance Act* says all citizens must be told about any proposed changes to legislation.

The proposal is to make changes to the *Election Act*, based on the recommendations made by the Chief Returning Officer after the 2017 and the 2020 elections. The proposed changes will:

- Make changes to election timelines;
- Ensure continuity of membership on the election committee;
- Streamline the candidacy form submission process for citizens seeking office;
- Remove the requirement that a scrutineer not be an immediate family member of a candidate;
- Grant the Chief Returning Officer authority to move a sealed ballot box at their discretion;
- Facilitate the procedure for providing a voter a ballot at the vote, while ensuring this process is authorized and documented by both the voter and the Deputy Returning Officer;
- Be more specific about what kind of assistance a voter may request at a voting station. The amendment is aligned with the types of assistance laid out in the Yukon Elections Act; and
- Create a regulation-making power that would allow KDFN to pursue an electronic method of counting votes.

If the *Election Act* is amended, there will also be some corrections to minor spelling and drafting errors.

The text of the legislative amendment (called the “bill”) is on the reverse of this letter. The full *Election Act* is online at www.kwanlindun.com/laws-and-citizenship/laws-and-policies/. If you have questions about the bill, would like a printed copy, or would like to make comments, please call Executive Council Office at (867) 633-7800 ext. 135, or email eco@kdfn.net.

Second reading of the bill will occur at the Council meeting October 6, 2022, 9:00am - 3:30pm. Council meetings are open to the public.

Sincerely,
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Encl: Act to Amend the Election Act