

# Pauingassi First Nation

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# The Pauingassi First Nation Bylaw Number 2013-08 Being a by-law respecting the prohibition against the inhalation of solvent and gasoline vapours

**WHEREAS** the Council of the Pauingassi First Nation deems it expedient to enact a by-law for the purpose of safeguarding its community on the reserve from the serious problems resulting from the unhealthy and destructive practice of inhaling solvents and gasoline for the sole purpose of producing euphoria, hallucinations and intoxication;

**AND WHEREAS** paragraph 81(1), (a), (c), (d), (q) and (r) of the *Indian Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c. I-5, empower the Council of a Band to make by-laws to provide for the health of residents, the observance of law and order, the prevention of disorderly conduct and nuisances, with respect to any matter arising out of or ancillary to the exercise of powers under section 81, and the imposition on summary conviction of a fine or imprisonment for violation thereof;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of the Pauingassi First Nation enacts as a by-law thereof as follows:

### **Short Title**

1. This By-Law may be cited as the "Pauingassi First Nation Solvent and Gasoline Abuse By-Law".

#### Interpretation

#### 2. In this By-Law

"intoxicated" means being under the influence of an intoxicating matter or vapour to the extent that a person's physical and mental functioning is impaired;

"intoxicating matter" includes plastic solvents, adhesive cement, cleaning agents, glue, dope, nail polish remover, lighter fluid, gasoline, paint or lacquer thinner, or any other substance which induces a state of impairment;

"intoxicating vapour" means any vapour, fume or liquid that is emitted or produced from an intoxicating matter;

"possession" means possession as defined in subsection 4(3) of the *Criminal Code* R.S.C., Chap. C-46.

"reserve" means the reserve of the Pauingassi First Nation and includes the Pauingassi First Nation Indian Reserve;

# **Prohibitions Against Inhalation**

- **3.** Everyone on reserve who, for the purpose of inducing euphoria, hallucinations or intoxication
  - (a) inhales, administers or otherwise introduces into his respiratory system, or
  - (b) assists or causes another person to inhale, administer or otherwise introduce into his respiratory system

an intoxicating vapour is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$1,000.00 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 30 days, or to both.

# **Prohibitions Against Possession and Possession for Sale**

- **4.(1)** No person on reserve shall have in their possession any intoxicating matter for the purpose of inhaling, administering or otherwise introducing into his respiratory system the intoxicating vapours emitted or produced from the intoxicating matter.
  - (2) No person on reserve shall have in their possession any intoxicating matter for the purpose of selling, giving, administering, transporting, sending, delivering or distributing the intoxicating matter to a person
    - (i) who is or is believed to be of unsound mind, is impaired by alcohol, drugs or by reason of having inhaled intoxicating vapours, or
    - (ii) who is or is believed to be using the intoxicating matter for the purpose of being intoxicated.
  - (3) Everyone who contravenes subsection (1) or (2) is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$1,000.00 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 30 days, or to both.

## **Prohibitions Against Sale**

- **5.** Everyone on reserve who sells, gives, administers, transports, sends, delivers or distributes any intoxicating matter
  - (a) to a person who is or is believed to be of unsound mind, is impaired by alcohol, drugs or by reason of having inhaled intoxicating vapours, or
  - (b) who is or is believed to be using the intoxicating matter for the purpose of being intoxicated

is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$1,000.00 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 30 days, or to both.

# **Exceptions**

- **6.** Sections 3, 4 and 5 do not apply to any person who
  - (a) manufactures or sells an intoxicating matter for medical purposes,
  - (b) inhales, administers or otherwise introduces an intoxicating vapour into his respiratory system under the supervision of a physician or dentist, or
  - (c) is a physician or dentist or a person acting under the direction of a physician or dentist who assists or causes another to inhale, administer or otherwise introduce into his respiratory system an intoxicating vapour.

This by-Law is hereby made at a duly convened meeting of the Council of the Pauingassi First Nation this & day of December, 2013.

Voting in favour of the by-law are the following members of the Council:

Chief Harold Crow	William Michael Owens
Crirei Harold Crow	Councillor Michael Owens
Councillor Roddy Owens	Councillor James Owens
being the majority of those members of the Council of the Pauingassi First Nation present at the aforesaid meeting of the Council.	
The quorum of the Council is three Number of members of the Counc	e members. Il present at the meeting: <u>3</u> .
copy of the foregoing by-law was m	Councillor of the Band, do hereby certify that a true nailed to the Minister of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern fice of the department pursuant to subsection 82(1) of <u>PC</u> , 2013