

**The Northern Forum  
Resolution #33  
Concerning the Endorsement of Projects**

Whereas there are many potential projects that are consistent with the purpose and principles of the Northern Forum Charter and that could benefit the member regions of the Northern Forum and their peoples.

Whereas Resolution #32, approved by the Board of Directors this 14th day of September 1995, establishes criteria by which a project may be designated, and may continue to be designated, as a Priority Project of the Northern Forum.

Whereas a number of meritorious projects have been approved previously as Priority Projects of the Northern Forum, and currently do not meet the criteria that must be met for the project to continue in order to be considered a Priority Project.

The Board of Directors of the Northern Forum hereby resolves that:

- 1) there is established a new category of Northern Forum projects, called Endorsed Projects;
- 2) Endorsed Projects are those projects that the Board of Directors considers to be consistent with the purpose and principles of the Northern Forum Charter, and potentially beneficial to the member regions of the Northern Forum and their peoples, but do not meet the criteria to be Priority Projects;
- 3) Endorsed Projects may be redesignated as Priority Projects if a member region sponsoring the project can demonstrate that the criteria for consideration as a Priority Project have been met;
- 4) if the Executive Director in consultation with the sponsoring region or regions determines that a Priority Project no longer meets the criteria to be so designated, he shall redesignate the project as an Endorsed Project, subject to confirmation by the Board of Directors at its next regularly scheduled meeting;
- 5) the following projects, previously considered to be Priority Projects do not meet the criteria to remain as Priority Projects:
  - International Arctic Bank of Reconstruction & Development
  - Capital Formation in the North
  - Audio Visual Fund of North
  - Circumpolar Culture
- 6) the projects listed in Item 5 of this resolution are consistent with the purpose and principles of the Northern Forum Charter and potentially beneficial to the member regions of the Northern Forum and their peoples and are, therefore, hereby designated as Endorsed Projects of the Northern Forum;

7) the member regions are urged to fully support all projects of the Northern Forum, including both Priority Projects and Endorsed Projects;

8) the Executive Director and Secretariats of the Northern Forum are directed to concentrate their resources in support of Priority Projects and to provide support for Endorsed Projects wherever possible.

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