

RESOLUTION #3 – FROM NWT TOURISM BOARD OF DIRECTORS

TRANSPORT CANADA FLIGHT AND DUTY TIME REGULATIONS

Whereas The tourism businesses of the NWT are heavily dependent on the aviation industry; and

Whereas tourism businesses that are located in the remote northern wilderness are particularly dependent on the aviation industry as there is no other means of transportation; and

Whereas the changes to the flight and duty time regulations that have come into force December 12, 2022 have had a significant negative impact on northern airlines ability to adequately service the tourism industry; and

Whereas now that the regulations have been in effect for almost a year, and the aviation and tourism industries have some real-world examples of the impact of the regulations on the respective industries in the north; and

Whereas developing a fatigue risk management system (FRMS) is cost prohibitive for small northern airlines, and it is unclear as to the decision process once an alternate plan is filed under the FRMS; and

Whereas the newly implemented flight and duty regulations aimed to address pilot fatigue have neglected to address the complexities of the aviation industry across Canada, especially in the North where traveling by air is the only method of transport and destinations are at a significant distance from each other.

Be it resolved that NWT Tourism continue to support and advocate for northern airlines and the businesses that rely on them, to find a reasonable path forward amidst a severe pilot shortage, and the significant impact of the newly implemented flight and duty time regulations. Furthermore, NWT Tourism will work with partners to pursue the possibility of a pause and/or exemption on the flight and duty time regulations for the north until the regulations can be reviewed further and procedures can be put in place that work for northern airlines and the businesses to which they provide service to.

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Resolution Committee Chair Signature

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