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Residency Law Working Group still needs Focus Group members

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(Kahnawake – 17, Onerahtohkó:wa/May 2018) The Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke (MCK) wishes to announce that the Working Group responsible for the proposed *Kahnawà:ke Residency Law* is continuing to seek community members interested in participating in a focus group to assist the technical drafting team with the concepts for criteria for portions of the proposed Law.

The Mandate was given by the community in Onerahtohkó:wa/May 2017 to begin drafting a Residency Law. Consensus was reached to move forward, the community directed there be better clarity for the *Eligibility Criteria for Non-Member Residency* portion of the Law.

“The drafting team has identified a need to get some community perspectives on the Eligibility criteria, so we decided to gather a solid focus group to help us consider criteria to propose to the community,” said Ietsenhaiensh Rhonda Kirby, the proponent of the Residency Law. “To be clear, this is not the Community Decision Making Process but, rather, we’re looking at this as a tool to prepare a better draft to help when it’s time to launch the CDMP meetings.”

The focus group session will be held on **Thursday, May 24th** from 6 to 8pm at the MCK main building.

Interested persons must be on the *Kanien'kehá:ka of Kahnawà:ke Registry* and should contact Trina C. Diabo at 450-632-7500 or by email at trinac.diabo@mck.ca.

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