



HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE

Governing Body of the Ho-Chunk Nation

HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE REVISION OF HOKAKOIT'ERA WRITING SYSTEM RESOLUTION 6-03-08 E

- WHEREAS,** on November 1, 1994, the Secretary of the Interior approved a new Constitution for the Ho-Chunk Nation, formerly known as the Wisconsin Winnebago Tribe; and
- WHEREAS,** the Ho-Chunk Nation ("Nation") is a federally recognized Indian Tribe, organized pursuant to the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934; and
- WHEREAS,** Article V, Section 2 (a) of the Ho-Chunk Nation Constitution ("Constitution") empowers the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature ("Legislature"), to make laws, including codes, ordinances, resolutions, and statutes; and
- WHEREAS,** Article V, Section (r) of the Constitution authorizes the Legislature to protect and foster Ho-Chunk religious freedom, culture, language, and traditions; and
- WHEREAS,** Article V, Section 2 (s) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to promote public health, education, charity, and such other services as may contribute to the social advancement of the members of the Ho-Chunk Nation; and
- WHEREAS,** the Hocak Wazijaci Language Division is currently placed within the Department of Heritage Preservation; and
- WHEREAS,** the Hocak Wazijaci Language Division currently utilizes the Hocakoit'era Writing System, also commonly referred to as IPA System, as the formal universally applied writing system through Resolution 7-13-094 A, Adoption of the Hocakoit'era Writing System as the Official Written Form to be used by the Hocak Wazijaci Nation; and
- WHEREAS,** ongoing linguistic research has shown the current orthographic system to be inadequate I demonstrating key phonetic detail of the Hocak Language as well as proving a hindrance to proper pronunciation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature recognizes the need to alter the current writing system in the interests of instituting uniformity in the language teaching and acquisition process, and adopts the revised version of the Hocakoit'era Writing System to be universally applied throughout all language teaching and learning activities.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Tribal Secretary of the Ho-Chunk Nation, hereby, certify that the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature composed of **10 members** of whom **8** constituting a quorum were present at a meeting duly called and convened and held on the **3rd day of June 2008**, and that the foregoing resolution was adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of **7 members, 0 opposed, and 1 abstaining**, pursuant to authority of Article V, Section 2(a) and (x) of the constitution of the Ho-Chunk Nation, approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 1, 1994, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way. I further certify that this is a verified copy of said resolution.


Elliott Garvin, Tribal Secretary

6-3-08
Date

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