



HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE

Governing Body of the Ho-Chunk Nation

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NOMINATION OF DR. ALEC THUNDERCLOUD TO U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES SECRETARY'S TRIBAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION 10-20-10 G

- WHEREAS,** on November 1, 1994, the United States 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, pursuant to the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934; and
- WHEREAS,** Article V, Section 2(a) of the Ho-Chunk Nation Constitution ("Constitution") gives the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature ("Legislature") the power to make laws, including codes, ordinances, resolutions, and statutes; 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,** Article V, Section 2(x) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to enact any other laws, ordinances, resolutions, and statutes necessary to exercise its legislative powers delegated by the General Council pursuant to Article III including but not limited to the foregoing list of powers; and
- WHEREAS,** the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services ("HHS" or "Agency") has taken steps to improve and enhance the Agency's consultation with tribes and Indian Country by establishing the Secretary's Tribal Advisory Committee (known as "STAC") on October 7, 2010; and
- WHEREAS,** the Agency's goal in establishing the STAC is to improve the Agency's accountability and inclusion of federally recognized tribes as it sets priorities, oversees programs and implements policies affecting tribes and Indian Country; and
- WHEREAS,** a primary purpose of the STAC is to seek consensus, exchange views, share information, provide advice and recommendations and facilitate intergovernmental communications with tribes in the Indian Health Services areas; and
- WHEREAS,** the Secretary of HHS is seeking nominations from tribes for tribal Area or National At Large representatives to serve on the Secretary's Tribal Advisory Committee, including elected tribal officials, appointed tribal officials, or such staff as designated by tribes; and

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WHEREAS, the Legislature has assessed officials and staff of the Nation to nominate to the STAC and has determined that the background and qualifications of Dr. Alec Thundercloud, the current Executive Director of the Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Health, make him eminently qualified to serve;

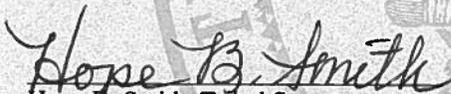
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature, in the best interests of the Nation, hereby nominates Dr. Alec Thundercloud to Secretary's Tribal Advisory Committee, as the Nation's primary representative as either an Area Representative or National At Large Member (pursuant to the representation sought in the STAC Charter); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Legislature nominates Representative Robert TwoBears as the Ho-Chunk Nation alternate member to serve along with Dr. Thundercloud; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, pursuant to its Constitutional authority, the Legislature requests that the above nominations be carried out by the submission of a nomination letter by either the Ho-Chunk Nation President or Vice President (or such designated staff) to the Secretary of HHS by October 29, 2010.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Tribal Secretary of Ho-Chunk Nation, hereby certify that the Legislature of the Ho-Chunk Nation, composed of **13 members**, of whom **10** constituting a quorum were present at a meeting duly called and convened and held that on the **20th** day of **October**, 2010, and that the foregoing resolution was adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of **10 members**, **0** opposed, and **0** abstaining, pursuant to the 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 the foregoing resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way. I further certify that this is a verified copy of said resolution.


Hope B. Smith, Tribal Secretary


Date