



HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE

Governing Body of the Ho-Chunk Nation

HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE AUTHORIZATION TO RETAIN ROCKLAND AGRICULTURAL LEASE FUNDS WITHIN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TO OFFSET RELATED EXPENSES

RESOLUTION 01-17-12 C

- WHEREAS**, on November 1, 1994, the United States Secretary of Interior approved a new Constitution for the Ho-Chunk Nation, formerly known as the Wisconsin Winnebago Nation; 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) authorizes the Legislature to make laws, including codes, ordinances, resolutions, and statutes; and
- WHEREAS**, Article V, Section 2 (i) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to negotiate and enter into treaties, compacts, contracts, and agreements with other governments, organizations, or individuals; and
- WHEREAS**, Article V, Section 2 (l) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to enact laws to manage, lease, permit, or otherwise deal with the Nation's lands, interest in lands or other assets; and
- WHEREAS**, Article V, Section 2 (p) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to enact laws to create and regulate a system of property, including but not limited to use, title, deed, estate, inheritance, transfer, conveyance, and devise; and
- WHEREAS**, Article V, Section 2 (r) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to protect and foster Ho-Chunk religious freedom, culture, language, and traditions; and
- WHEREAS**, the Nation's Division of Natural Resources is responsible for managing land resources; and protecting wildlife, and plant resources from overuse and abuse; and has been delegated the power of administration over the Nation's lands pursuant to Ho-Chunk Nation Legislative Resolution 11-20-01 B; and

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WHEREAS, the Nation is the 100% beneficial owner of certain land described as follows:

Parcel #1

Fractional West One-Half of the Fractional Northwest Quarter (Frac. W ½ of Frac. NW ¼);
Southeast Quarter of the Fractional Northwest Quarter (SE ¼ of Frac. NW ¼);
Fractional Southwest Quarter (Frac. SW ¼);
Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (SW ¼ SE ¼); All in Section Seven (7);

Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NW ¼ NE ¼);
Northeast Quarter of the Fractional Northwest Quarter (NE ¼ of Frac. NW ¼);
All in Section Eighteen (18);
All in Township Sixteen (16) North, Range Four (4) West, Monroe County, Wisconsin, Containing 406.30 acre m/l. Tax Parcel Nos.: 022-00158-0000, 022-00159-0000, 022-00160-0000, 022-00161-0000, 022-00162-0000, 022-00163-0000, 022-00164-0000, 022-00167-0000, 022-00393-0000, 022-00396-0000

Parcel #2

Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NE ¼ NE ¼) of Section Twelve (12). Township Sixteen (16) North, Range Five (5) West, La Crosse County, Wisconsin, containing 40.46 acres m/l. Tax Parcel No. 1-226-0
(the "Rockland Property"); and

WHEREAS, the Rockland property is leased for agricultural purposes with periodic lease payments paid to the Nation by the tenant; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes the importance of daily land management to protect, improve and enhance the natural resources of the Rockland property and other similar properties for the Ho-Chunk People.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature hereby authorizes the Nation's Department of Treasury to deposit the Rockland Property agricultural lease payments into a special designated Treasury account to be used solely for the protection, maintenance and improvement of the Rockland Property and other similar Ho-Chunk land management projects.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of Lease payments will be forwarded to the BIA Great Lakes Agency for review and documentation.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary for the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature, hereby certify that the Legislature of the Ho-Chunk Nation, composed of **13 members**, of whom 11 constituting a quorum were present at a meeting duly called and convened and held on the **17th day of January, 2012**, that the forgoing resolution was adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of **10 members, 0 opposed, and 1 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 said 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
Hope B. Smith, Tribal Secretary

January 17, 2012
Date