



## HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE

*Governing Body of the Ho-Chunk Nation*

### HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE MISSING PERSON(S)

#### RESOLUTION 02-21-12N

**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") grants the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature ("Legislature") the power 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(r) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to protect and foster Ho-Chunk Nation 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,** Gene Cloud Jr., has been missing from the Ho-Cak community since January 25, 2012, and his whereabouts are unknown to his family,

**WHEREAS,** there is need for all Law Enforcement Agencies to immediately and diligently renew their efforts to locate Gene Cloud, Jr., to ascertain his whereabouts and return him safely to his family.

**WHEREAS**, the Hocak Nation has resources that can assist the family of Gene Cloud Jr. for his location and safe return,

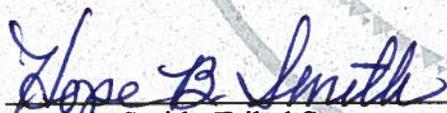
**WHEREAS**, no budget line item has been established for the purpose of locating any missing tribal members in these extenuating circumstances,

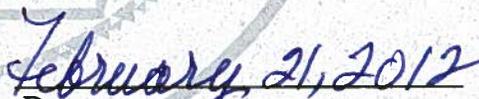
**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Hocak Nation Legislature request the assistance of Hocak Nation, County, State of Wisconsin Law Enforcement Personnel and the Federal Bureau of Investigation to locate Gene Cloud, Jr.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the resources of the Hocak Nation such as publication of Posters, news releases, assistance in the form of personnel for renewed search efforts and assistance to his immediate family be made available in like manner due in other emergency situations involving tribal members and a line item be created in the emergency assistance budget for this purpose for any other such situations that may occur, and not to exceed the amount of \$2500.00

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I, the undersigned, as Tribal Secretary of Ho-Chunk Nation, hereby certifies 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 that on the **21st day of February, 2012**, that the foregoing resolution was adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of **8 members, 0 opposed, and 3 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.

  
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Hope B. Smith, Tribal Secretary

  
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Date