



HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE

Governing Body of the Ho-Chunk Nation

HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE AND GREAT LAKES INTER-TRIBAL EPIDEMIOLOGY CENTER COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT RESOLUTION 06-08-11 G

- WHEREAS,** on November 1, 1994, the United State Secretary of 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,** the Legislature of the Ho-Chunk Nation ("Legislature") is the duly constituted governing body of the Ho-Chunk Nation pursuant to the Constitution of the Nation; 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(r) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to protect and foster Ho-Chunk religious freedom, culture, language, and traditions;
- 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;
- WHEREAS,** American Indian/Alaska Native citizens have been inadequately represented in local, state and national public health data sets and continues to experience significant health disparities such as cancer, diabetes, childhood obesity, and adverse birth outcomes which are of concern to tribal governments and communities, as are environmental pollutants in food sources, being threats to the long-term health and welfare of on- and near-reservation communities; and,
- WHEREAS,** Tribal Epidemiology Centers have been created to increase Tribal health program capacity to collect and use data for health planning and to improve data quality on the state and national levels and The Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Epidemiology Center has served Bemidji Area Tribes, Service Units and Urban Indian Health Programs since 1996; and,
- WHEREAS,** The Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Epidemiology Center had dutifully executed data protection and security policies and procedures; and,

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature endorses its support and authorizes the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Epidemiology Center to apply for the 2011 – 2016 Indian Health Service Cooperative Agreement.

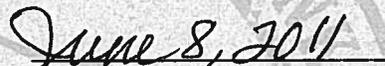
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature hereby authorizes the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Epidemiology Center to apply for the 2011 – 2016 Indian Health Service Cooperative Agreement and continue to serve Bemidji Area Tribal Nations, Service Units and Urban Indian Health Programs.

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 12 constituting a quorum were present at a meeting duly called and convened and held on the **8th day of June, 2011**, that the foregoing resolution was adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of **12 members, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining**, pursuant to the 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.



Hope B. Smith, Legislative Secretary



Date

