



## HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE

*Governing Body of the Ho-Chunk Nation*

### HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE SUPPORT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF HO-CHUNK NATION TEN YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN 2012-2022

#### RESOLUTION 11-08-11C

- 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(b) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to establish Executive Departments; and to delegate legislative powers to the Executive branch to be administered by such Departments, in accordance with the law; any Department established by the Legislature shall be administered by the Executive; the Legislature reserves the power to review any action taken by virtue of such delegated power; and
- WHEREAS**, Article V, Section 2(d) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to authorize expenditures by law and appropriate funds to the various Departments in an annual budget; 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(k) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to acquire or purchase lands for the benefit of the Nation and its members; 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, interests in lands or other assets; and

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- WHEREAS**, Article V, Section 2(m) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to enact laws to prevent the sale, disposition, or encumbrance of Ho-Chunk lands, or other Ho-Chunk assets; and
- WHEREAS**, Article V, Section 2(n) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to purchase under condemnation proceedings any lands within the jurisdiction of the Ho-Chunk Nation; and
- WHEREAS**, Article V, Section 2(o) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to enact laws to regulate and zone any lands within the jurisdiction of the Ho-Chunk Nation; 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(q) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to issue charters of incorporation, to charter corporations and other organizations for economic or other purposes, and to regulate their activities; 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**, 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(t) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to enact laws governing law enforcement on lands within the jurisdiction of the Nation; and
- WHEREAS**, Article V, Section 2(u) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to enact laws to regulate domestic relations of person within the jurisdiction of the 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 Legislature adopted a Ten Year Strategic Plan by resolution 5-08-02 A as a strategy for addressing the needs of the membership and to provide guidance to both the Legislative Branch during the budget process and the Executive Branch in implementing programs and services for the benefit of current and future generations of Ho-Chunk Nation members; and

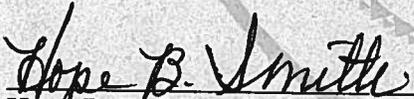
**WHEREAS,** the Legislature understand that the Executive Branch has begun efforts to create a Ten Year Strategic Plan for 2012-2022; and

**WHEREAS,** the Legislature desires to support the Executive Branch in its efforts to draft a plan that creates a vision and strategy for the Ho-Chunk Nation that builds upon the Nation's past efforts; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Legislature, pursuant to its Constitutional authority, pledges its support for the development of a Ten Year Strategic Plan for 2012-2022 and its desire to work in a collaborative manner with the Executive Branch on this worthwhile endeavor.

#### **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 **9** constituting a quorum were present at a meeting duly called and convened and held that on the **8<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2011**, adopted the foregoing resolution at said meeting by an affirmative vote of **9 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.

  
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Hope B. Smith, Tribal Secretary

  
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