



## HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE

*Governing Body of the Ho-Chunk Nation*

### HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE SUPPORT OF DESIGNATION OF APRIL AS ALCOHOL AWARENESS MONTH RESOLUTION 2-09-10 M

- 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(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(f) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to set the salaries, terms and conditions of employment for all governmental personnel; 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 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(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,** Alcohol Awareness Month is a national grassroots effort that was started by the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence, and it quickly spread throughout the United States.
- WHEREAS,** since 1987, April has been designated as Alcohol Awareness Month; and
- WHEREAS,** Alcohol Awareness Month highlights the need to support education, prevention and treatment for alcoholism and alcohol-related problems. It is an opportunity for families and communities, together, to educate themselves about the critical issues of alcohol abuse and alcoholism, and reach out and educate their children on the reasons to stay alcohol free; and

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**WHEREAS,** the January 11, 2010 La Crosse District Meeting Minutes provide in relevant part "April is Alcohol Awareness Month. Motion to have [the] legislature make a resolution proclaiming April Alcohol Awareness Month and to have a monthly potluck celebrating sobriety by Donald Greengrass, Sr. Second by Mike Sallaway. 18-0-0 Motion Carried."

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Legislature, pursuant to its Constitutional authority, request that the President proclaim April of 2010 as Alcohol Awareness Month for the Ho-Chunk Nation.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Legislature, pursuant to its Constitutional authority, supports the President calling for a potluck(s) during the month of April 2010 in order to raise awareness that April is Alcohol Awareness Month and to celebrate sobriety.

**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 7 constituting a quorum were present at a meeting duly called and convened and held that on the 9th day of February, 2010, that the foregoing resolution was adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 7 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*  
Hope B. Smith, Tribal Secretary

2-09-10  
Date

