



HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE

Governing Body of the Ho-Chunk Nation

**HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE
AUTHORIZATION OF THE RELEASE TO THE HOME
OWNERSHIP PROGRAM THE RESTRICTED FUNDS FROM
MORTGAGE PAYMENTS COLLECTED
RESOLUTION 9-09-09 A**

- 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, organized 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(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,** the General Council of the Ho-Chunk Nation at its November 7, 1995 meeting considered a "Medical Care and Priority Housing for the Ho-Chunk S'akra" Resolution, prioritizing the medical and housing needs of tribal elders above those of all other tribal members; and
- WHEREAS,** the Legislature adopted by Resolution 7-11-95 D, supporting the November 7, 1995 General Council S'akra Resolution; and
- WHEREAS,** the Legislature adopted by resolution 3-19-96 E, approving the release of restricted funds from mortgage payments collected to the Home Ownership Program; and
- WHEREAS,** the Home Ownership Program intended purpose for these restricted funds is to provide housing for tribal elders; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature hereby approves that all mortgage payments collected from the Home Ownership Program be released and disbursed to the Elder Restricted Fund to conform with Legislative Resolution 7-11-95 D and Resolution 3-19-96 E.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in accordance with Legislative Resolution 7-11-95 D and Resolution 3-19-96 E the disbursement shall also be applied retroactively and include \$1,505,000.00 that has been collected from the Home Ownership Program homeowners as of May 31, 2009.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that henceforward the use of the Home Ownership Mortgage payments collected shall be utilized in accordance with established policies and to which the Executive Director of the Ho-Chunk Nation Housing Department shall have signature authority over such funds.

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CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Tribal Secretary for the Ho-Chunk Nation, 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 9th day of , 2009, that the foregoing resolution was adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 9 members, 3 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
Hope B. Smith, Tribal Secretary

9-09-09
Date

