HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE

Governing Body of the Ho-Chunk Nation

HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE
ADOPTING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
THE *FINANCE MANUAL* (5 HCC § 5)
RESOLUTION 12-08-09 G

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 (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(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(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 Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature passed the *Legislative Organization Act* (2 HCC § 11); and

WHEREAS, the *Legislative Organization Act* (2 HCC § 11) controls the process for amendments to laws of the Nation; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature adopted the *Finance Manual* (5 HCC § 5) , which was last amended on May 18, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the *Finance Manual* controls the stipends provided to members of boards, committees and commissions; and

WHEREAS, the August 19, 2009 Black River Falls District Meeting minutes provide :Motion by Judith Ann Thundercloud that the Law Enforcement Committee pay both delegate and alternate if mandatory to attend meetings and training."; and

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WHEREAS, as its September 9, 2009 Legislative Session, the Legislature referred this motion to the Development Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Development Committee, at its September 24, 2009 meeting, passed a motion to propose amendments to the *Finance Manual* and referred those back to the Legislature with the recommendation to place the proposed amendments out for a forty-five (45) day public comment period; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature via Resolution 10-07-09 A placed the proposed amendments out for a forty-five day comment period; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Legislature, pursuant to its Constitutional authority amends the *Finance Manual* (5 HCC § 5) to address the motion made at the Black River Falls District Meeting.

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 **11** constituting a quorum were present at a meeting duly called and convened and held on the **8th day of December, 2009**, that the foregoing resolution was adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of **11 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 12-08-09

Hope B. Smith, Tribal Secretary Date