

DEFEATED RESOLUION

HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE AUTHORIZATION TO CREATE A NON-REVOLVING LINE OF CREDIT OF \$250,000.00 FOR THE NORTH AMERICAN INDIGENOUS GAMES RESOLUTION 10-07-09 B

- 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 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(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,** the Legislature passed Resolution 08-07-07 Q entitled "Support of Wisconsin Inter-Tribal Athletic Bid to Host the 2011 North American Indigenous Games." ; and
- WHEREAS,** Resolution 08-07-07 Q provides:
- WHEREAS,** WITAA has initiated the bid process to host the 2011 NAIG in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; and
- WHEREAS,** The Ho-Chunk Nation understands and recognizes that participation in the NAIG has been the result of financial support from each Tribal Nation, as well as the participants; and
- WHEREAS,** In order for Wisconsin to host the NAIG it will require financial support from each Wisconsin Tribal Nation.

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature, pursuant to its Constitutional authority, supports the Wisconsin Inter-Tribal Athletic Association Bid to host the 2011 Games.

WHEREAS, as a result of the efforts of various Wisconsin Tribal leaders including Ho-Chunk Nation Members, the North American Indigenous Games will occur in Milwaukee, Wisconsin from July 10 through 17, 2011; and

WHEREAS, these Games are not only a celebration for Native American people as a whole, but they are also a significant event for Native American youth. The Games encourage young people to live a healthy lifestyle while also allowing them to learn the importance of sportsmanship, leadership and friendly competition; and

WHEREAS, as stated on the North American Indigenous Game website:

The NAIG are only possible with the support of our generous sponsors. In past Games, corporations, elected governments and sovereign tribes contributed to assure success. The Milwaukee 2011 Games will require that same investment.

The hope for the Milwaukee 2011 Games is to raise more than \$12 million. With those resources, the Milwaukee 2011 Games will be the finest Games ever held and will leave a legacy that continues to advance the mission of the event.; and

WHEREAS, the Nation currently has a grant account with Bank of America Merrill Lynch; and

WHEREAS, the amount of money in the grant account exceeds the amount that is necessary for the Nation to provide a non-revolving line of credit of \$250,000.00 to the North American Indigenous Games; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature, pursuant to its Constitutional authority, authorizes the creation of a non-revolving line of credit of \$250,000.00 from the Merrill Lynch LMA Account earmarked for the North American Indigenous Games.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the non-revolving line of credit shall be available to the North American Indigenous Games from July 10, 2009 to December 31, 2010 to be used at its sole discretion.

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 **13** constituting a quorum were present at a meeting duly called and convened and held that on the **7th day of October, 2009**, that the foregoing resolution was adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of **5 members, 6 opposed, and 2 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 Smith, Tribal Secretary

Date