



HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE

Governing Body of the Ho-Chunk Nation

HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE ACCEPTANCE OF MARY CANOE BURIAL SITE RESOLUTION 3-19-08 J

- 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(l) of the Ho-Chunk Nation Constitution ("Constitution") grants the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature ("Legislature") the power to negotiate and enter into treaties, compacts, contracts and agreements with other governments, organizations and 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(m) 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
- 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,** the Mary Canoe Burial Site (the "Canoe Burial Site") is an estimated 1,518 square foot or .03 acre parcel located in the Town of Lisbon, Juneau County, Wisconsin, and
- WHEREAS,** the Canoe Burial Site is catalogued as a Winnebago burial site under Wisconsin Statutes §157.70; and
- WHEREAS,** the Canoe Burial Site has been subject to known disturbance/s and is in need of protective fencing and maintenance; and
- WHEREAS,** the owner of the Canoe Burial Site, Mr. Robert Hopper, offered to donate the site to the Ho-Chunk Nation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ho-Chunk Nation hereby accepts the donation of the Canoe Burial Site by Mr. Robert Hopper subject to (1) clearing title, (2) removal of encumbrances, if any, other than permitted encumbrances and (3) resolving all environmental concerns, if any; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature hereby authorizes Vice-President Daniel Brown to finalize the acceptance of the donation of the Canoe Burial Site on behalf of the Ho-Chunk Nation, including the authorization to sign an agreement to accept the site, resolve any title and environmental issues that may exist, and purchasing title insurance or a report, as necessary.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon receipt of the Canoe Burial Site, the Ho-Chunk Nation shall express its gratitude to the donor, Mr. Robert Hopper for this donation and commitment to the historic preservation of Native American burial sites.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Tribal Secretary of the Ho-Chunk Nation, hereby certify that the Legislature of the Ho-Chunk Nation, composed of **11 members**, of whom **7** constituting a quorum were present at a meeting duly called and convened and held on the **19th day of January, 2008**, that the foregoing resolution was adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of **6 members, 1 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.



Elliott Garvin, Tribal Secretary

3-19-08

Date