



HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE

Governing Body of the Ho-Chunk Nation

HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE SELECTION OF SPECIAL COUNSEL FIRM RESOLUTION 12-10-10 A

WHEREAS, on November 1, 1994, the Secretary of the Interior approved a new Constitution for the Ho-Chunk Nation, formerly known as the Wisconsin Winnebago Nation; and

WHEREAS, the Ho-Chunk Nation ("Nation") is a federally recognized Indian Tribe, pursuant to the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934; and

WHEREAS, the Ho-Chunk Nation Constitution, Article V, Section 2 (g) allows for the Legislature to set its own procedures, select its officers and to enact laws governing the attendance of its members; and

WHEREAS, the HCN Constitution, Article V, Section 2 (l) allows for the Legislature to enact all laws to manage, lease, permit or otherwise deal with the assets of the Nation; and

WHEREAS, the HCN Legislature created a Task Force to update and address issues relative to the Ho-Chunk Nation Trust Funds; and

WHEREAS, special counsel is required to offer unique expertise for the planning, updating and bidding of service providers for the Nation's Minor Trust administration, trustee, managers and advisors; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force sent out a Request For Proposal (RFP) to various law firms and submitted the RFP responses to the HCN Legislature for selection; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to utilize special counsel in order to protect the Nation's trust accounts for the benefit of the Ho-Chunk children, adult incompetents and for those adults who have not yet attained the high school diploma requirement for access to the minor trust account; and

WHEREAS, the existing trust agreement that the Ho-Chunk Nation utilizes has not been updated in ten (10) years and requires additional protections for the benefit of the Ho-Chunk Nation accountholders; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature hereby selects from the four (4) special counsel bids, a law firm to provide unique services to the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature specifically to update and protect the Ho-Chunk Nation trust funds.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Tribal Secretary of the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature, 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 10th day of **December, 2010**, 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) through (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

December 10, 2010
Date

