



HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE

Governing Body of the Ho-Chunk Nation

HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE AMENDMENT TO THE *LEGISLATIVE ORGANIZATION ACT (2 HCC § 11)* TO CREATE A HOUSING SUBCOMMITTEE

RESOLUTION 02-19-13A

- 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(g) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the authority to set its own procedures, select its officers, and to enact laws governing attendance of its members, including penalties for absences; 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(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 enacted the *Legislative Organization Act (2 HCC § 11)* by Legislative Resolution 2/13/01D; and
- WHEREAS,** since its enactment, the Legislature has amended the Legislative Organization Act ("Act") several times to accommodate the needs of the Legislature and the Ho-Chunk Nation in operating an effective government and meeting the needs of the Nation's members; and
- WHEREAS,** the Legislature has placed the Act out for forty-five day review and public comment several times, including through Resolution 8-23-11B; and

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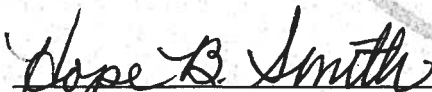
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- WHEREAS,** the Legislature has held internal workgroup meetings to review and discuss the Act, including any potential amendments, on September 9, 2011, September 23, 2011, October 11, 2011, December 13, 2011, January 13, 2012, and October 4, 2012; and
- WHEREAS,** during the course of Legislative discussions about Legislative Subcommittees, it was suggested that a Housing Subcommittee be created within Chapter III of the Act; and
- WHEREAS,** the Legislature finds it appropriate to create a Standing Legislative Committee that focuses on the Nation's Housing needs, programs and issues, in order to better serve the Nation's members and service areas; and
- WHEREAS,** the Nation's Housing Department and President recently held two Housing Summit meetings to discuss and examine the Nation's Housing needs and programs, as well as plan for the future of such programs; and
- WHEREAS,** the Legislature deems finds it appropriate to establish a new Legislative Housing Subcommittee in order to assist the Nation, and Legislature, in its effort to assist and enhance the Nation's housing programs, while also maintaining a structure for the Legislature to receive updates from the Nation's Housing programs and agencies; and

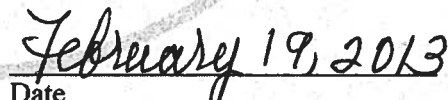
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature, pursuant to its Constitutional authority, amends Chapter III of the Act and establishes a Housing Subcommittee as a new Standing Legislative Committee, as more fully set forth in the attached revisions.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Tribal Secretary, hereby certify that the Legislature of the Ho-Chunk Nation, composed of 13 members, of whom 9 constituting a quorum were present at a meeting duly called and convened and held on the 19th day of February, 2013, that the foregoing resolution was adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 6 members, 2 opposed, and 1 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, Tribal Secretary



Date