



HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE

Governing Body of the Ho-Chunk Nation

HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE AUTHORIZATION FOR APPLICATION FY 2013 COORDINATED TRIBAL ASSISTANCE SOLICITATION (CTAS)

RESOLUTION 02-19-13F

- 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 Tribe; and
- WHEREAS**, the Ho-Chunk Nation is a federally recognized Indian Tribe, organized pursuant to the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934; and
- WHEREAS**, the Legislature of the Ho-Chunk Nation (“Legislature”) is the duly constituted governing body of the Ho-Chunk Nation pursuant to the Constitution of the Nation; and
- WHEREAS**, Article V, Section 2 (a) of the Ho-Chunk Nation Constitution (“Constitution”) authorizes the Legislature, to make laws, including codes, ordinances, resolutions, and statutes; and
- WHEREAS**, Article V, Section 2 (i) of the Constitution authorizes the Legislature to negotiate and enter into treaties, compacts, contracts, and agreements with other governments, organizations, or individuals; and
- WHEREAS**, Article V, Section 2 (4) of the Constitution authorizes the Legislature 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 Ho-Chunk Nation; and
- WHEREAS**, Article V, Section 2 (u) of the Constitution authorizes the Legislature to enact laws to regulate domestic relations of persons 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

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WHEREAS, the Legislature has enacted many civil ordinances for the sole purpose of protecting our Ho-Chunk members and communities including, but not limited to: Elder Protection Act, Children and Family Act, Domestic Abuse Act, Juvenile Curfew Ordinance, Public Nuisance Act, Fireworks Ordinance, and Domesticated Animal Control Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature adopted the Law Enforcement Commission Establishment and Organization Act ("Act") on January 08, 2008; and

WHEREAS, in Resolution 11-3-10 C, the Legislature authorized the establishment and implementation of a Ho-Chunk Nation Police Department to promote the safety of all Ho-Chunk members and all residents of Ho-Chunk-owned properties; and

WHEREAS, Article VII of the Constitution of the Ho -Chunk Nation authorizes the creation of the Judiciary Branch of government; and

WHEREAS, Article 5, §13 of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to enact an annual budget to include an appropriation of operating funds for each branch of the government; and

WHEREAS, the Nation has identified the need to implement strategic planning for the purpose of enhancing and expanding the Nation's justice system on all Ho-Chunk-owned lands throughout the State of Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, the Ho-Chunk Nation lands and its people are settled in various geographic areas in the State of Wisconsin, and the Nation's governmental offices, courthouse, and Police Department are located in Jackson County, Wisconsin; and

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WHEREAS, the Ho-Chunk Nation is currently administering four FY2012 CTAS-funded projects which are enabling us to engage in comprehensive strategic planning to improve our justice and safety systems as a whole and to address the specific justice needs of Ho-Chunk members as follows:

- *Purpose Area #2* – Comprehensive Planning Demonstration Program – strategic planning for the justice needs of the Ho-Chunk Community;

- *Purpose Area #3* – Justice Systems and Alcohol and Substance Abuse – Ho-Chunk court funding to engage in strategic planning for the eventual expansion of the court into the communities outside of the immediate Jackson County area and the full development of the Healing to Wellness Court;

- *Purpose Area #5* (formerly PA 6) – Violence Against Women Tribal Government Program – provide safety planning, direct and referral services, and collaborate with community resources for the safety of Ho-Chunk women and girls ; and

- *Purpose Area #8* (formerly PA 9) –Juvenile Justice – improve and strengthen the Ho-Chunk juvenile justice system by empanelling a Strategic Planning Advisory Board, and developing a Juvenile Justice Strategic Plan; and

WHEREAS, to address additional pressing justice and safety needs of the Nation, the Ho-Chunk Nation’s Executive Branch departments of Administration, Justice, and Social Services collaborated to prepare an FY2013 CTAS application requesting project funding under the following purpose areas:

- *Purpose Area #1* – COPS – to develop a Law Enforcement Strategic Plan to facilitate the implementation and enhancement of law enforcement services in Ho-Chunk communities and

- *Purpose Area #9* – TYP – to enhance the Juvenile Justice Program’s at Risk Prevention services and to provide culturally based community presentations for youth and families on making positive life choices; and

WHEREAS, the 2013 CTAS grant award will allow the COPS and TYP projects to utilize the existing Strategic Planning Advisory Board which is guiding the development of the comprehensive justice planning activities in the current CTAS-funded projects; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Legislature hereby fully supports and authorizes the Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Administration to submit the aforementioned grant application to the U. S. Department of Justice; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Legislature authorizes and directs either the President or the Vice President to execute grant-related documents and negotiate on behalf of the Ho-Chunk Nation.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Ho-Chunk Nation, hereby certify that the Legislature of the Ho-Chunk Nation, composed of 13 members, of whom 10 constituted a quorum were present at a meeting duly called and convened this 19th day of February 2013, and that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by an affirmative vote of 10 members, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, pursuant to the authority of Article V, Section 2 (a) and (x) of the Ho-Chunk Nation Constitution 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 copy of resolution.

Hope B. Smith
Hope B. Smith, Tribal Secretary

February 19, 2013
Date

