



HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE

Governing Body of the Ho-Chunk Nation

**HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE
AUTHORIZATION FOR APPLICATION
MENTAL HEALTH AND JUSTICE COLLABORATION GRANT APPLICATION
TO
BUREAU OF JUSTICE ADMINISTRATION**

RESOLUTION 4-08-13E

- 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 adopted the Health Establishment Organization Act of 2009 that states: The Ho-Chunk Department of Health shall promote the individual and collective health of the members of the Nation in keeping with the Ho-Chunk philosophy of holistic wellness (an integrated state of total physical, mental, social, and spiritual well-being) and in keeping with the Nation's inherent cultural traditions, customs, and values. In doing so, the Department shall safeguard the interests of the Nation, enhance the sovereignty of the Nation, and exercise stewardship over those resources committed to it by the Nation and foreign jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the Ho-Chunk Nation's Division of Behavioral Health is collaborating the Nation's Tribal Court and Jackson County to develop culturally meaningful services in its prison diversion programs; Jackson County Drug Court and the Nation's Healing to Wellness Court; and

WHEREAS, the Ho-Chunk Nation's Department of Health has collaborated with Jackson County Court and the University of Wisconsin School of Social Work to develop a grant application (BJA-2013-3493) requesting Bureau of Justice Administration for \$50,000 for one year to develop the academic track that will result in graduate level students having a credentialed program in Native American Justice Issues.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Legislature hereby fully supports and authorizes the Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Health to submit the aforementioned grant application to the Bureau of Justice Administration; 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 11 constituted a quorum were present at a meeting duly called and convened this 8th day of April 2013, and that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by an affirmative vote of 11 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

April 8, 2013
Date