



HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE

Governing Body of the Ho-Chunk Nation

**HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
OFFICE OF MINORITY HEALTH
PARTNERSHIPS TO INCREASE COVERAGE
IN COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE GRANT**

RESOLUTION 06-17-14C

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 Legislature of the Ho-Chunk Nation is the duly constituted Governing Body of the Ho-Chunk Nation ("Legislature") pursuant to the Constitution of the Ho-Chunk Nation; and

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 2(a) enables the Nation, through the Legislature to make laws, including codes, ordinances, resolutions, and statutes; and

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 2(b) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to establish Executive Departments, and to delegate legislative powers to the Executive branch to be administered by such Departments, in accordance with the Law; any Department established by the Legislature shall be administered by the Executive; the Legislature reserves the power to review any action taken by virtue of such delegated power; 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(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 members of the Ho-Chunk Nation; and

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WHEREAS, the Ho-Chunk Nation Health Department promotes increased health insurance coverage for Tribal Members; and

WHEREAS, the Ho-Chunk Nation Health Department has the opportunity to apply for a Partnerships to Increase Coverage in Communities Initiative Grant from the Office Of Minority Health; and

WHEREAS, this grant would provide funding to educate and enroll Tribal Members in the Affordable Care Act's Health Insurance Marketplace which will provide health insurance to many uninsured or underinsured Tribal Members thereby greatly reducing a Tribal Members financial burden if they encounter health issues and also reducing the Nations burden of health care requests; and

WHEREAS, the Partnerships to Increase Coverage in Communities Initiative Grant is a two year \$250,000 grant which will provide outreach and enrollment in the Health Insurance Marketplace Program.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature, pursuant to its Constitutional authority, hereby approves of the Health Department submitting the Partnerships to Increase Coverage in Communities Grant application.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as 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 **17th day of June, 2014**, that the foregoing resolution was adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of **10** members, **0** opposed, and **1** abstaining, pursuant to the 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 the foregoing resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way. I further certify that this is a verified copy of said resolution.

Kathleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit
Kathleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit, Tribal Secretary

6.17.14
Date