



HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE

Governing Body of the Ho-Chunk Nation

HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF GRANT FUNDING FROM THE DIVISION OF ENERGY AND MINERAL DEVELOPMENT FOR EXPLORATION OF RENEWABLE ENERGY OPPORTUNITIES

RESOLUTION 08-06-13F

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 Nation; and

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

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 2(a) of the Ho-Chunk Nation Constitution ("Constitution") grants the Legislature the power to make laws, including codes, ordinances, resolutions, and statutes; and

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 2(i) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to negotiate agreements with other governments, organizations, or individuals; and

WHEREAS, the Nation's Department of Business is accepting funding to explore renewable energy opportunities, specifically for an anaerobic digester and biomass facility for biofuel production, to reduce the Nation's carbon footprint; and any potential energy resource that is discovered in this process; and

WHEREAS, in a letter received July 25, 2013 the United States Department of the Interior, Division of Energy and Mineral Development ("DEMD") awarded the Nation \$169,000 to complete a due diligence review of previous studies, a waste composition analysis, a technology review, a conceptual development plan, a market analysis, preliminary environmental and permitting review, financial analysis, and public relations activities; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature, pursuant to Constitutional authority, hereby authorizes the Ho-Chunk Nation President to accept and sign the funding award on behalf of the Nation to explore renewable energy opportunities.

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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 **12** constituting a quorum were present at a meeting duly called and convened and held on the **6th day of August, 2013**, that the foregoing resolution was adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of **12 members, 0 opposed, and 0 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

8.6.13
Date