



## **HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE**

*Governing Body of the Ho-Chunk Nation*

### **HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE VILLAGE WEST LAND USE PLAN (SAUK COUNTY, WISCONSIN)**

#### **RESOLUTION 10-21-14BB**

**WHEREAS**, on November 1, 1994, the United States Secretary of 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**, the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature ("Legislature") of the Ho-Chunk Nation is the duly constituted governing body of the Ho-Chunk Nation pursuant to the Constitution of the Ho-Chunk Nation; 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(b) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to establish Executive Departments, and to delegate legislative powers to the Executive Branch to 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(l) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to enact laws to manage, lease, permit, or otherwise deal with the Nation's lands, interests in lands or other assets; and

**WHEREAS**, Article V, Section 2(r) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to protect and foster Ho-Chunk religious freedom, culture, language, and traditions; and

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**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

**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 power delegated by the General Council pursuant to Article III including but not limited to the foregoing list of powers; and

**WHEREAS,** the preamble of the Constitution of the Ho-Chunk Nation establishes the Nation's right to "advance the general welfare"; and

**WHEREAS,** the Ho-Chunk Nation is experiencing a housing shortage which has a negative social impact on our Ho-Chunk Elders and families; and

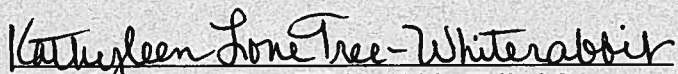
**WHEREAS,** the Ho-Chunk Nation does not have an educational campus exclusively for our Ho-Chunk children for the purposes of immersing our future leaders in the teachings of our language and culture; and

**WHEREAS,** the Village West property located in Sauk County, Wisconsin is planned for residential and institutional development.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Legislature, pursuant to its Constitutional authority, hereby approves the Village West property Land Use Plan in Sauk County, Wisconsin, as the site for the residential and institutional development.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I, the undersigned, as Secretary for the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature, hereby certify that the Legislature of the Ho-Chunk Nation, composed of 13 members, of whom 13 constituting a quorum were present at a meeting duly called and convened and held on the **21<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2014**, that the foregoing resolution was adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 12 members, 0 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.

  
Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit, Tribal Secretary

10.21.14  
Date