



HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE

Governing Body of the Ho-Chunk Nation

HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE SUPPORT TO REQUEST FEDERAL CHILD SUPPORT PROGRAM TRIBAL IN-KIND MATCH WAIVER

RESOLUTION 04-21-22 B

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 enter into contracts, and agreements with other governments, organizations, or individuals; and

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 2 (r) 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, the Legislature established the Ho-Chunk Nation Child Support Program in Resolution 2-19-03 B; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 45 C.F.R. §309.130, the Ho-Chunk Nation Child Support Agency receives 80% federal funding each year for the tribal child support program, and is expected to provide a 20% tribal match in order to receive the federal funding; and

WHEREAS, the Non-Federal share of the child support program expenditures may be in cash and/or In-Kind, (a virtual cost), typically with the in-kind match in the form of the value of personnel, goods, and services of other program/department/branch budgets;

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WHEREAS, in compliance with the APPROPRIATIONS AND BUDGET PROCESS ACT, 2 HCC § 4, the Ho-Chunk Nation approves the budgets for the coming year; and

WHEREAS, on May 4, 2021 the Legislature approved the Ho-Chunk Nation Child Support Agency In-Kind Budget; in the amount of \$169,175.46 which relies on services and expenses typically included in other program/department/branch budgets of the Ho-Chunk Nation, but utilized by the Ho-Chunk Nation Child Support Agency, to be counted toward the Non-Federal Match; and

WHEREAS, due to the response measures taken during the COVID-19 pandemic, including a reduction in workforce, resulted in many of the In-Kind positions being unavailable, the Ho-Chunk Nation Child Support Agency now wishes to submit a request to the federal government for a waiver of the In-Kind match in the amount of \$137,395.00;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature, pursuant to its Constitutional authority, hereby approves and authorizes the Ho-Chunk Nation Child Support Agency to submit the proposed FY 22 Tribal Child Support Comprehensive Grant Request for Waiver of Non-Federal Share of Program Expenditures packet to the Office of Child Support Enforcement;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature authorizes the President or Vice President to sign any grant-related documents regarding this action and to negotiate on behalf of the Ho-Chunk Nation.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Tribal Secretary for the Ho-Chunk Nation, 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 this **21st day of April, 2022**, and that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by an affirmative vote of **11** members, **0** opposed, and **2** 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.


Rep. Stephanie Begay, Tribal Secretary

04.21.22
Date