



HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE
Governing Body of the Ho-Chunk Nation

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**APPOINTMENT OF PHYLLIS SMOKE, LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVE, TO THE
WAZEE WASTEWATER COMMISSION**

RESOLUTION 11-08-22 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 ("Nation") is a federally recognized Indian Tribe, 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 ("Constitution"); 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 be administered by such Departments, in accordance with the law; any Department established 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(d) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to authorize expenditures by law and appropriate funds to the various Departments in an annual budget; 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

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WHEREAS, Article V, Section 2(q), of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to charter corporations and other organizations for economic or other purposes, and to regulate their activities; and

WHEREAS, the Wazee Area Wastewater Commission (Commission) is a public body of the Ho-Chunk Nation, which owns and is responsible for the Commission's By-Laws and the management and operation of the wastewater collection and treatment plant for the Indian Mission and Sand Pillow communities; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the By-Laws, the Commission shall have representation from the Department of Housing, a representative from the Department of Treasury, a representative from the Department of Health, a representative of the Legislative Branch, and a representative from the Department of Administration; and

WHEREAS, with the Open Seat for the Legislative Branch for a four year term as a Wazee Area Wastewater Commissioner; Phyllis Smoke of the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature has been approved by Karena Thundercloud, Vice President of the Ho-Chunk Nation to be nominated to serve as Commissioner on the Wazee Wastewater Commission for the Ho-Chunk Legislature for a four year term starting the date of this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Wazee Wastewater Commission will then be comprised of the following commissioners: Health/OEH: Rob Voss; Legislature: Phyllis Smoke; Treasury: Christina Neitzel; Administration: Open; Housing: Jamie Goodbear;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature, pursuant to its Constitutional authority, hereby appoints Representative Phyllis Smoke as Commissioner of the Wazee Wastewater Commission.

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 **8th day of November, 2022**, that the foregoing resolution was adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of **11 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.


Rep. Stephanie Begay, Tribal Secretary

11.08.22
Date