

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING
KEWADIN CASINO HOTEL & CONVENTION CENTER
SAULT STE. MARIE, MICHIGAN
DECEMBER 3, 2013
6 PM**

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. INVOCATION: Prayer, Smudging, Presentation of Grandfathers
- III. ROLL CALL
- IV. PRESENTATION:
- V. MINUTES:
- VI. RESOLUTIONS: Partial Waiver – Bouschor
 Partial Wavier – Gardner
 Reaffirmation of Intent – Epoufette Harbor
 Opposing Sale or Exchange of Public Lands to
 Graymont
 Budget Modifications:
 Indirect – FY 2014 Budget Modification
 St. Ignace Elder Meals – FY 2014 Budget
 Chairperson – FY 2014 Travel Budget
 Opposition to Fracking
 Approving 2014 Plan Document and Summary
 Plan Description
 Constitutional Amendments:
 Separate and Independent Judicial Branch
 Rights of Recall and Removal
 Bill of Rights
 Additional Election Unit
 Right of Initiative
- VII. NEW BUSINESS: Committee Requests
 Reinstatement of Funding for Hearing Aids
 Request for Chippewa Co. Prosecutor and/or MI
 Atty. General Office regarding 2%
- VII. STANDING PROPOSED ACTION ITEMS:
- IX. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:
- X. RECONVENE AND REAFFIRM
- XI. ADJOURN

RESOLUTION NO: _____

**SUBMISSION TO SECRETARIAL ELECTION
A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT
ESTABLISHING THE RIGHT OF INITIATIVE**

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, 25 USC 461 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, Article X, states: “This constitution and bylaws may be amended by a majority vote of the eligible voters of the Tribe voting at an election called for that purpose by the Secretary of the Interior, provided that at least thirty (30) percent of those entitled to vote shall vote in such election, but no amendment shall become effective until it shall have been approved by the Secretary of the Interior. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Interior to call an election on any proposed amendment upon the receipt of a resolution passed by a majority of the board of directors, the chairperson having the right to vote thereon;” and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of the Board of Directors that a Secretarial Election be held for the purpose of amending the Constitution of the Tribe, to add a new Article, Article IX.A to provide tribal members with the right to of initiative.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Pursuant to Article X of the Tribe’s Constitution, the Board of Directors hereby submits the following proposed Constitutional Amendment to the Secretary of Interior for purposes of holding a Secretarial Election with all due haste:

Shall the Constitution of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians be amended to add a new Article IX.A to read as follows:

ARTICLE IX.A – INITIATIVE

Section 1. Right of Initiative. Voters of the Tribe shall have the right to enact a law by Initiative. An Initiative shall not be permitted to enact a budget or budget modification. Eligible voters of the Tribe, regardless of their residence, shall have the right to demand an Initiative election to enact a law by submitting a petition signed by at least ten percent of the number of eligible voters of the Tribe to the Election Commission. A petition for an Initiative election shall include the full text of the proposed law. Once a petition is submitted, the Election Commission shall make a determination within fifteen days whether all petitioning requirements have been met. Upon making a finding of a valid petition, the Election Commission shall conduct a Special Election on the Initiative within sixty days.

Section 2. Results of a Special Election for an Initiative. The results of a Special Election for an Initiative shall become law immediately unless otherwise specified in the law. Once passed, the results of the Initiative shall be binding and shall not be subject to repeal or modification except by a subsequent Special Election or by a three-fourths majority vote of the Board of Directors.

_____ Approve

_____ Disapprove

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the results of such Secretarial Election shall be conclusive and binding upon the Tribe.

CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13 members, of whom _____ members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the _____ day of _____ 2013; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of _____ members for, _____ members against, _____ members abstaining, with the Chairperson having the opportunity to vote thereon, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Aaron Payment, Tribal Chairperson
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
Chippewa Indians

Cathy Abramson, Secretary
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
Chippewa Indians

RESOLUTION NO: _____

**SUBMISSION TO SECRETARIAL ELECTION
A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT
TO ESTABLISH A SEPARATE AND INDEPENDENT
JUDICIAL BRANCH OF TRIBAL GOVERNMENT**

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, 25 USC 461 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, Article X, states: “This constitution and bylaws may be amended by a majority vote of the eligible voters of the Tribe voting at an election called for that purpose by the Secretary of the Interior, provided that at least thirty (30) percent of those entitled to vote shall vote in such election, but no amendment shall become effective until it shall have been approved by the Secretary of the Interior. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Interior to call an election on any proposed amendment upon the receipt of a resolution passed by a majority of the board of directors, the chairperson having the right to vote thereon;” and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of the Board of Directors that a Secretarial Election be held for the purpose of adding a new Article XII of the Constitution establishing a separate and independent judicial branch of tribal government;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Pursuant to Article X of the Tribe’s Constitution, the Board of Directors hereby submits the following proposed Constitutional Amendment to the Secretary of Interior for purposes of holding a Secretarial Election with all due haste:

Shall a new Article XII be added to the Constitution of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians to read as follows:

ARTICLE XII - JUDICIAL BRANCH

Section 1. Composition of the Judicial Branch. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Constitution, the judicial power of the Tribe shall be vested in an independent Judicial Branch as provided in this Article. The Judicial Branch shall be made up of one Trial Court which shall be called the Court of Gweyakwaadziwin, one Supreme Court which shall be called the Court of Nbwaakawin, and appropriate court staff as established by law. The Judicial Branch shall also include trial level courts of special jurisdiction as may be established by law.

- (a) Composition of the Trial Court. The Trial Court shall be made up of one Chief Judge and any Associate Judges or Substitute Judges as may be authorized by law. The Chief Judge shall have oversight authority of all matters related to the operations and administration of all trial level courts including, subject to the laws of the Tribe, the employment and discharge of Court personnel.
- (b) Composition of the Supreme Court. There shall be *[three?]* *[five?]* Justices on the Supreme Court. There shall be one Chief Justice, *[two?]* *[four?]* Associate Justices and such additional alternate Justices as may be established by law. The Chief Justice shall have oversight authority of all matters related to the operations and administration of the Supreme Court.

- (c) Composition of Courts of Special Jurisdiction. Courts of Special Jurisdiction shall be made up of judges or peacemakers, including appropriate staff, as may be established by law.

Section 2. Election and Selection of Justices and Judges.

- (a) Election of Justices and Judges. All Justices and Judges, except substitute Judges, shall be *[elected directly by the voters] [or] [appointed by the Chairperson with the concurrence of a positive majority of the Board of Directors].*
- (b) Selection of Substitute Trial Judges. In the event of recusal of the Chief Judge and all Associate Judges, the Chief Judge shall select a Substitute Judge, subject to any restrictions imposed by rules of the Courts or by law.
- (c) Selection of Substitute Supreme Court Justices. In the event of recusal of the Chief Justice and all Associate Justices, the Chief Justice shall select a Substitute Justice, subject to any restrictions imposed by rules of the Courts or by law.

Section 3. Terms.

- (a) The term of office for each Judge of the Trial Court or any other trial level court shall be four years. Unless removed, each Judge shall remain in office until an oath of office is administered to a successor. The terms of office for each Justice of the Supreme Court shall be six years. Unless removed, each Justice shall remain in office until the oath of office is administered to a successor.
- (b) The terms of office for Justices and Judges shall be staggered.

Section 4. Qualifications.

- (a) All Judges and all Justices shall be *[attorneys]* and *[members of the Tribe.]* The Chief Judge shall reside within a fifty mile radius of the principal Tribal Court House upon election to office. All Associate Judges shall reside in any voting District upon election.
- (b) No person shall be eligible to serve as a Judge or Justice who has ever been convicted of a felony in any jurisdiction.
- (c) A Judge or Justice cannot serve in an elective office of any other government nor be an appointed official of any local unit of government.

Section 5. Jurisdiction of the Courts.

- (a) The Trial Court shall have original jurisdiction over all cases and controversies, both criminal and civil, in law or in equity, arising under the Constitution, treaties, laws, and customs of the Tribe, including cases in which the Tribe or its officials and employees shall be a party. Any such case or controversy arising within the jurisdiction of the Tribe shall be filed

and exhausted in the Judicial Branch before it is filed in any other court or in any other jurisdiction. This grant of jurisdiction shall not be construed to be a waiver of the Sovereign Immunity of the Tribe.

- (b) The Supreme Court shall have appellate jurisdiction over any case on appeal from the Trial Court or any other trial level court.

Section 6. Powers and Duties of the Courts.

- (a) Healing. The primary duty of the Judicial Branch shall be to promote community and individual healing and forgiveness in all matters which come before the Courts in accordance with the laws, customs, and traditions of the Tribe.

- (b) Trial Court.

- (i) The Trial Court shall have the power to make findings of fact, interpret the Constitution, treaties, and laws of the Tribe, make conclusions of law, and issue all remedies in law and in equity.
- (ii) The Trial Court shall have the power to declare the laws of the Tribe void if such laws are not consistent with this Constitution.
- (iii) The Trial Court shall have the power to review and determine if actions of the Executive, including any Department, Board, Committee, or Executive Branch official are consistent with this Constitution, and to order an appropriate remedy for actions which violate this Constitution.
- (iv) All proceedings of the Trial Court or any other trial court shall be recorded for purposes of appellate review.

- (c) Supreme Court.

- (i) The Supreme Court shall have the power to interpret the Constitution, treaties, and laws of the Tribe, make conclusions of law and make findings of fact in election disputes, and issue all remedies in law and in equity. Decisions of the Supreme Court shall be final.
- (ii) The Supreme Court shall have the power to declare the laws and Executive actions of the Tribe void if such laws are not consistent with this Constitution.
- (iii) The Chief Justice shall have oversight authority of all matters related to the operations and administration of the Supreme Court including, subject to the laws of the Tribe, the employment and discharge of Court personnel and the preparation and presentation of an annual budget request for the Judicial Branch. The Supreme Court shall have the power to adopt Rules and Court Procedures governing the

Judicial Branch subject to the Rules of the Judicial Commission and the laws of the Tribe.

- (d) Rules of Court. Each Court shall have the power to make its own rules of court, procedure, evidence, and other judicial matters, provided that such rules shall be subject to the power of the Board of Directors to make or modify any rule by law.
- (e) Written Decisions. All orders, judgments, opinions, or final decisions of any Court shall be written and published in a timely manner.
- (f) Final Disposition. The Courts shall render a final disposition in all cases properly filed.
- (g) Right to Appeal. Any party to a civil action, or a defendant in a criminal action, who is dissatisfied with the judgment or verdict of a Trial Court shall have the right to file an appeal to the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court shall have the right to accept or deny any appeal from a Trial Court. All appeals that are accepted for review by the Supreme Court shall be heard by the full Supreme Court.
- (h) Precedent. The Courts shall develop rules regarding precedent. The Courts may require all parties to a case to present arguments regarding the customs and traditions of the Tribe. In the absence of an applicable written law of the Tribe, the Courts shall separately consider and explain in writing the application of the customs and traditions to the disposition of the case.

Section 7. Conflicts of Interest. Judges and Justices shall disclose and recuse when they have a conflict of interest. Any party to a case shall have the right to request a Judge to recuse, and every decision on recusal shall be accompanied by a written explanation for the decision.

Section 8. Compensation. Judges and Justices shall be paid a reasonable compensation as provided by law.

_____ Approve

_____ Disapprove

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the results of such Secretarial Election shall be conclusive and binding upon the Tribe.

CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13 members, of whom _____ members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the _____ day of _____ 2013; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of _____ members for, _____ members against, _____ members abstaining, with the Chairperson having the opportunity to vote thereon, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Aaron Payment, Tribal Chairperson
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
Chippewa Indians

Cathy Abramson, Secretary
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
Chippewa Indians

RESOLUTION NO: _____

**SUBMISSION TO SECRETARIAL ELECTION
A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT
AMENDING THE BILL OF RIGHTS**

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, 25 USC 461 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, Article X, states: “This constitution and bylaws may be amended by a majority vote of the eligible voters of the Tribe voting at an election called for that purpose by the Secretary of the Interior, provided that at least thirty (30) percent of those entitled to vote shall vote in such election, but no amendment shall become effective until it shall have been approved by the Secretary of the Interior. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Interior to call an election on any proposed amendment upon the receipt of a resolution passed by a majority of the board of directors, the chairperson having the right to vote thereon;” and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of the Board of Directors that a Secretarial Election be held for the purpose of amending Article VIII of the Constitution to expand the Bill of Rights.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Pursuant to Article X of the Tribe’s Constitution, the Board of Directors hereby submits the following proposed Constitutional Amendment to the Secretary of Interior for purposes of holding a Secretarial Election with all due haste:

Shall Article VII of the Constitution of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians be amended to read as follows:

ARTICLE VIII – BILL OF RIGHTS

The government of the Tribe shall not make or enforce any law which:

(a) infringes upon religious or cultural beliefs or prohibits the free exercise thereof nor any law which establishes religion;

(b) prohibits the freedom of speech, expression, or of the press, or the right of the People peaceably to associate or assemble, and to petition the government for redress of grievances;

(c) infringes upon the right of any person otherwise eligible at any time to seek and hold elective public office;

(d) violates the right of the People to be secure in the privacy of their persons, houses, papers, electronic and telecommunications information, vehicles, and effects against unreasonable searches and seizures, nor issue warrants but upon probable cause, supported by oath or affirmation signed by a Judge and particularly describing the place, person, house, or things to be searched, the object and scope of such search, and the person or thing to be seized, nor execute an arrest without probable cause, nor exercise a detainment without reasonable suspicion;

(e) subjects any person to search without probable cause or to interrogation while in custody without informing the person of their right to remain silent, to have access to an attorney, and to be advised that anything they say can be held against them in a court of law;

(f) subjects any person to criminal prosecution or punishment more than once for the same offense arising out of the same incident, nor compels any person in any criminal case to be a witness against himself or herself;

(g) discharges any person from employment without due process, or takes any private property or possessory interest in private property for public use, without due process and just compensation;

(h) discharges any person from employment or takes any other retaliation against an employee who makes public any information of misconduct by officials or employees of the Tribe;

(i) denies to any person in a criminal or civil proceeding the right to a speedy and public trial, to be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation, to be confronted with the witnesses against him or her, to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his or her favor, and in a criminal proceeding to have the assistance of counsel for his or her defense subject to income guidelines;

(j) requires excessive bail, imposes excessive fines, or inflicts cruel and unusual methods of interrogation or punishment;

(k) denies to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection, application, or opportunity under the law or deprive any person of liberty or property without due process of law, provided, that the government shall have the power to enact and implement laws that provide employment preferences;

(l) directs a criminal proceeding against a specific individual or group, or punishes conduct after the fact through the enactment of laws or resolutions which criminalize such conduct;

(m) denies to any person accused of an offense punishable by imprisonment the right upon request, to a trial by an impartial jury of not less than six persons, and all persons shall be presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law;

(n) denies to any person the access to his or her own personal information maintained by the Tribe;

(o) denies to any Person the right to own, bear, and use arms subject to regulation by the Tribe by law.

_____ Approve

_____ Disapprove

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the results of such Secretarial Election shall be conclusive and binding upon the Tribe.

CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13 members, of whom _____ members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the _____ day of _____ 2013; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of _____ members for, _____ members against, _____ members abstaining, with the Chairperson having the opportunity to vote thereon, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Aaron Payment, Tribal Chairperson
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
Chippewa Indians

Cathy Abramson, Secretary
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
Chippewa Indians

RESOLUTION NO: _____

**SUBMISSION TO SECRETARIAL ELECTION
A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT
TO ESTABLISH THE RIGHTS OF RECALL AND REMOVAL**

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, 25 USC 461 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, Article X, states: “This constitution and bylaws may be amended by a majority vote of the eligible voters of the Tribe voting at an election called for that purpose by the Secretary of the Interior, provided that at least thirty (30) percent of those entitled to vote shall vote in such election, but no amendment shall become effective until it shall have been approved by the Secretary of the Interior. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Interior to call an election on any proposed amendment upon the receipt of a resolution passed by a majority of the board of directors, the chairperson having the right to vote thereon;” and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of the Board of Directors that a Secretarial Election be held for the purpose of amending and revising Article VI of the Constitution, governing vacancies and removal from office, in order to expand the right of removal, to establish a right of recall, and to make additional provisions for the filling of vacancies.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Pursuant to Article X of the Tribe’s Constitution, the Board of Directors hereby submits the following proposed Constitutional Amendment to the Secretary of Interior for purposes of holding a Secretarial Election with all due haste:

Shall Article VI of the Constitution of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians be amended to read as follows:

ARTICLE VI - RECALL, REMOVAL, AND VACANCIES

Section 1. Recall of a Director or Chairperson.

(a) A member of the Board of Directors or a Chairperson shall be subject to recall.

(i) A recall election shall be initiated by petition signed by at least ten percent of the total number of eligible voters at the time of submission in the election unit or units from which the Officer was elected.

(ii) A separate recall petition shall be required for each Officer subject to recall.

(iii) A recall petition shall be submitted only to the Election Committee. The Election Committee shall determine within fifteen days whether all requirements for the petition are met. If all requirements are met, the Election Committee shall hold a Recall Election after thirty days but no more than sixty days.

(iv) All eligible voters in the affected election unit or units shall be entitled to vote in the recall election. An officer shall be recalled and removed from office if at least a majority of the votes cast in the Recall Election vote in favor of recall.

(v) A recall petition shall not be initiated or submitted to the Election Committee until at least six months have passed since the start of the Officer’s current term of office. A recall petition shall not be initiated or submitted to the Election Committee if six months or less remain in the term of the Officer. Once a petition is initiated, the petitioners shall have no more than sixty days to collect the requisite number of signatures. An Officer who is the subject of an unsuccessful recall vote shall not be subject to another recall election during that

same term of office unless the basis for the recall is a conviction of a felony in any jurisdiction as defined by law.

(vi) An Officer who is successfully recalled from office shall not be eligible to run for any elected office until the original term from which that Officer was recalled would otherwise have expired.

Section 2. Removal of a Director or Chairperson. A Director or Chairperson shall be subject to removal for good cause as established by law.

(a) A removal petition may be filed against a Director if signed by at least one hundred eligible voters the election unit from which the Director was elected. A removal petition may be filed against the Chairperson by at least one hundred eligible voters of the Tribe. Any such petition shall state good cause and shall request a removal hearing against the accused Officer. The Tribal Court shall decide within fifteen days upon receipt of a petition whether the petition states good cause to conduct a removal hearing.

(b) If the Tribal Court finds good cause, the Tribal Court shall, within sixty days of receipt of a valid petition, conduct a public removal hearing providing due process and make a final determination whether the accused shall be removed from office, and upon a decision of removal, the seat shall be deemed vacant.

(c) The conviction of an Officer in any court for the commission of a felony may constitute good cause for purposes of removal. Upon commencement of removal proceedings for a felony conviction, a convicted Officer shall be suspended until a final determination is made regarding removal.

(d) An Officer who is successfully removed from office shall not be eligible to run for any elected office until the original term of the Officer would have expired

Section 3. Vacancy in the Office of the Chairperson. A vacancy in the office of Chairperson shall be filled by the Vice Chairperson until the Tribal Board of Directors acts by majority vote to select a person who shall assume the Office of Chairperson until a successor shall be seated in a Special Election which shall be held within sixty days of vacancy. If six months or less remain in the Chairperson’s term, then the vacancy shall be filled by the Vice Chairperson or by the person designated by majority vote of the Board of Directors.

Section 4. Vacancy on the Board of Directors. If a member of the Board of Directors, other than the Chairperson, shall die, resign, or be recalled or removed from office, the Board of Directors shall declare that Director’s office to be vacant. The Board shall, by majority vote, fill vacancies by appointment of a voting member of the tribe to fill the unexpired term of the departed Director. Persons so appointed shall reside within the election unit from which the departed Director was elected.

_____ Approve

_____ Disapprove

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the results of such Secretarial Election shall be conclusive and binding upon the Tribe.

CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13 members, of whom _____ members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the _____ day of _____ 2013; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of _____ members for, _____ members against, _____ members abstaining, with the Chairperson having the opportunity to vote thereon, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Aaron Payment, Tribal Chairperson
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
Chippewa Indians

Cathy Abramson, Secretary
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
Chippewa Indians

RESOLUTION NO: _____

**Indirect Cost
FY 2014 Budget Modification**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians here by approves the budget modification to the FY 2014 budget for Indirect Cost to reduce Indirect Revenues monies \$157,817 and increase Tribal Support \$157,817.

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13 members, of whom _____ members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the _____ day of _____ 2013; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of _____ members for, _____ members against, _____ members abstaining, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Aaron A. Payment, Chairperson
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
Chippewa Indians

Cathy Abramson, Secretary
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
Chippewa Indians

RESOLUTION NO: _____

**St. Ignace Elder Meals
FY 2014 Budget Modifications**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians here by approves the FY 2014 budget modification to St. Ignace Elder Meals decreasing Tribal Support \$3,678.58 to reflect the change in positions budgeted.

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13 members, of whom _____ members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the _____ day of _____ 2013; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of _____ members for, _____ members against, _____ members abstaining, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Aaron A. Payment, Chairperson
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
Chippewa Indians

Cathy Abramson, Secretary
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
Chippewa Indians

RESOLUTION NO: _____

**SUBMISSION TO SECRETARIAL ELECTION
A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT
TO AMEND ARTICLES IV AND V
ESTABLISHING AN ADDITIONAL ELECTION UNIT**

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, 25 USC 461 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, Article X, states: “This constitution and bylaws may be amended by a majority vote of the eligible voters of the Tribe voting at an election called for that purpose by the Secretary of the Interior, provided that at least thirty (30) percent of those entitled to vote shall vote in such election, but no amendment shall become effective until it shall have been approved by the Secretary of the Interior. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Interior to call an election on any proposed amendment upon the receipt of a resolution passed by a majority of the board of directors, the chairperson having the right to vote thereon;” and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of the Board of Directors that a Secretarial Election be held for the purpose of amending Articles IV and V so as to add a new election unit for the northern Lower Peninsula and to clarify the redistricting and reapportionment principles that shall apply to those election units located in the Upper Peninsula;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Pursuant to Article X of the Tribe’s Constitution, the Board of Directors hereby submits the following proposed Constitutional Amendment to the Secretary of Interior for purposes of holding a Secretarial Election with all due haste:

Shall Articles IV and V of the Constitution of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians be amended to read as follows:

ARTICLE IV - GOVERNING BODY

Section 1. The governing body of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians shall consist of a board of directors.

Sec. 2. A chairperson shall be elected at large by the voters of the tribe and shall serve as a member of the board of directors. A TOTAL OF TWELVE BOARD MEMBERS SHALL BE APPORTIONED AMONG THE FIVE UPPER PENINSULA ELECTION UNITS IN THE MANNER DESCRIBED IN ARTICLE V, SECTION 1. The voters of each of the five (5) election units shall elect from within their qualified membership one member to ~~the board to represent each five hundred (500) members or fraction thereof~~ EACH OF THE BOARD SEATS APPORTIONED TO THAT UNIT. IN ADDITION, THE VOTERS OF UNIT SIX, DESCRIBED IN ARTICLE V, SECTION 2, SHALL ELECT **[ONE] [TWO]** BOARD MEMBER**/S/** FROM WITHIN THE QUALIFIED MEMBERSHIP OF THAT UNIT. Following each election, the board of directors shall select from within its membership a vice-chairperson, a treasurer and a secretary.

Sec. 3. The members of the board shall be qualified voters of the Tribe, eighteen (18) years of age or over. Any Person elected or appointed to a position on the board who is either an employee or independent contractor of the Tribe shall voluntarily resign his or her employment position and/or surrender any rights under any contract with the Tribe prior to assuming the duties of office or taking the oath of office. Failure to voluntarily resign and/or

terminate the contractual relationship with the Tribe shall bar the elected or appointed individual from assuming the duties of office or taking the oath of office.

~~Sec. 4. For the purpose of the first election held after adoption of this constitution, the chairperson and other members of the board of directors comprising fifty percent of those elected who have received the highest number of votes shall serve for a term of four years, or until their successors are duly installed in office. All other members shall serve a term of two years, or until their successors are duly installed in office. Thereafter, the~~ EXCEPT AS PROVIDED HEREIN, THE term of office of the chairperson and directors shall be four years, or until their successors are duly installed in office. ***[IN THE 2014 ELECTION CYCLE, THE UNIT SIX BOARD MEMBER CANDIDATE RECEIVING THE LARGEST NUMBER OF VOTES SHALL SERVE A FOUR YEAR TERM AND THE BOARD MEMBER CANDIDATE RECEIVING THE SECOND LARGEST NUMBER OF VOTES SHALL SERVE A TWO YEAR TERM. THEREAFTER, EACH UNIT SIX BOARD MEMBER SHALL SERVE A FOUR YEAR TERM AS PROVIDED IN ARTICLE IV, SECTION 4.]*** THE TERMS OF OFFICE FOR ~~[OTHER]~~ BOARD MEMBERS SHALL CONTINUE TO BE STAGGERED SUCH THAT HALF OF THE AVAILABLE SEATS SHALL EXPIRE EVERY TWO YEARS.

ARTICLE V - NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Section 1. ~~Within ninety (90) days after the approval of this constitution, the~~ THE board of directors shall cause to be made a division of the eastern portion of the Upper Peninsula of the State of Michigan into five (5) election districts known as units, and shall conduct a census to determine the number of tribal members in each such unit. The boundaries shall be located with due regard to the historical location of each of the historical bands of the Sault Ste. Marie Chippewa Indians. At ~~four~~ TEN year intervals beginning ~~four years from the year of adoption of this constitution~~ IN THE YEAR 2015, the board of directors shall cause to be made a census and voter registration of the membership within each unit and shall publish no less than three (3) months in advance of the next general election the results thereof. THE RESULTS OF THIS CENSUS SHALL BE USED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO REDISTRICT THE FIVE ELECTION UNITS OR TO REAPPORTION THE TWELVE BOARD SEATS AMONG THE FIVE ELECTION UNITS SO AS TO ACHIEVE A REASONABLY PROPORTIONAL DISTRIBUTION OF REPRESENTATION AMONG THE FIVE UNITS PROVIDED THAT EACH OF THE FIVE UNITS SHALL HAVE AT LEAST ONE REPRESENTATIVE.

SEC. 2. BEGINNING WITH THE 2014 ELECTION CYCLE, THERE IS ESTABLISHED AN ADDITIONAL ELECTION UNIT TO BE KNOWN AS UNIT SIX WHICH SHALL BE COMPRISED OF THAT PORTION OF THE LOWER PENINSULA OF MICHIGAN THAT IS NORTH OF THE 45TH PARALLEL.

~~Sec. 2. The first election of the chairperson and the board of directors shall be held within ninety (90) days after the creation of the election units under the arrangements and supervision of the present board of directors and the local Superintendent of the Bureau of Indian Affairs. [OBSOLETE]~~

~~Sec. 3. The officers and members of the board of directors of the organization known as the Original Bands of Sault Ste. Marie Chippewa Indians holding office at the time of the adoption of this constitution shall continue in office and carry out the functions of the officers and board of directors of the tribe as prescribed by this constitution until the chairperson and~~

~~board of directors are elected and duly installed in office pursuant to this article.~~
[OBSOLETE]

Sec. 4 3. Any person eighteen (18) years of age or over who is a member of the tribe shall be eligible to vote in tribal elections.

Sec. 5 4. In any general election called pursuant to this constitution, each eligible voter shall vote within his unit of residence. Voters residing outside of any unit shall register not less than three months prior to any election and MAY REGISTER AND vote in the ELECTION unit of their choice.

Sec. 6 5. The board of directors shall enact appropriate ordinances to implement nominations and the holding of elections.

_____ Approve

_____ Disapprove

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the results of such Secretarial Election shall be conclusive and binding upon the Tribe.

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13 members, of whom _____ members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the _____ day of _____ 2013; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of _____ members for, _____ members against, _____ members abstaining, with the Chairperson having the opportunity to vote thereon, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Aaron Payment, Tribal Chairperson
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
Chippewa Indians

Cathy Abramson, Secretary
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
Chippewa Indians

RESOLUTION NO: _____

2014 TRAVEL BUDGET FOR THE TRIBAL CHAIRPERSON

WHEREAS, it is necessary and appropriate for the Tribal Chairperson to represent the Tribe in various meetings and gatherings from time to time; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the Tribe to assure sufficient funds have been allocated and budgeted for this purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby directs the establishment of a travel budget for the Tribal Chairperson in the amount of \$_____ for calendar year 2014, to be funded from tribal support provided that (1) any expenditure of such these funds must comply with all applicable tribal policies related to travel and (2) these funds shall be expended only as a last resort when other funds are not available to cover the travel expenses of the Chairperson.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, prior to expending any such funds, the Chairperson shall provide notice of the proposed expenditure to the Board of Directors sufficiently in advance of the proposed travel, so as to permit the Board, if it elects to do so, to disapprove any such expenditure by motion and vote of a positive majority of the Board.

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

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Aaron A. Payment, Chairperson
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
Chippewa Indians

Cathy Abramson, Secretary
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
Chippewa Indians

RESOLUTION NO: _____

RE-AFFIRMATION OF INTENT TO MAINTAIN THE EPOUFETTE HARBOR SITE AND PROVIDE ACCESS TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH TERMS OF THE GREAT LAKES FISHERY TRUST GRANT CONTRACT

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians (Tribe) approved the submission of a grant application to the Great Lakes Fishery Trust (Trust) for development of a fishing access site on property owned by the Tribe near Epoufette, Michigan (Resolution #2013-179); and

WHEREAS, said Resolution indicated that the harbor development project would benefit tribal commercial and subsistence fishers, as well as tribal and non-tribal recreational fishers; and

WHEREAS, fishery access site development grants funded by the Trust require maintenance of the site at the owner's expense, and continued accessibility for the public, as defined in grant contracts and Trust policies; and

WHEREAS, Sault Tribe staff received verbal notification on November 13, 2013 that the Trust board of directors had selected the Tribe's Epoufette Harbor proposal for full funding at the Trust's November 12, 2013 meeting; and

WHEREAS, Trust staff indicated that concerns arose during the November 12 meeting regarding future public accessibility, particularly if the Tribe places the Epoufette Harbor property into federal trust status; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe wishes to alleviate any concerns the Trust might have regarding future public accessibility to the harbor through the adoption of this Resolution,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa hereby re-affirms its commitment to adhere to the terms and spirit of Trust's Access Site grant policies to both maintain the Epoufette Harbor site, and to allow public access to the harbor, in accordance with conditions indicated in the grant contract and Trust policies, and regardless as to whether the property is placed into federal trust status in the future.

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

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Aaron Payment, Tribal Chairperson
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
Chippewa Indians

Cathy Abramson, Secretary
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
Chippewa Indians

RESOLUTION NO: _____

OPPOSITION TO “FRACKING”

WHEREAS the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe with some forty thousand members living throughout the State of Michigan; and

WHEREAS thousands of members of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians depend upon groundwater as their sole source of drinking water; and

WHEREAS the members of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians enjoy a usufructuary treaty right to hunt, gather, fish and trap as provided by the 2007 Consent Decree in *United States v Michigan*, WD Mich, File No 2: 73 CV 26 and the overall health of the environment has direct impact on the viability of that treaty right; and

WHEREAS the Tribe has a stewardship role over the land, air, water and all the natural resources within its reservation boundaries; and

WHEREAS the hydraulic fracturing (“fracking”) of underground shale is being utilized to commercially extract natural gas in Michigan and is being contemplated implemented around the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians reservations, around member’s homes, and around land upon which members enjoy their usufructuary treaty rights; and

WHEREAS “fracking” of underground geologic formations is accomplished by injecting a complex mixture of fluids and chemicals, including large volumes of water, on average 4.5 million gallons per well in some geographic areas, under very high pressure to create fractures in gas bearing geologic formations; and

WHEREAS large mining apparatus with increased related traffic are necessary to “fracking,” as is the transport, high-pressure use and collection of large amounts of toxic chemicals which also pose a risk of air, land and water pollution; and

WHEREAS credible news sources and anecdotal evidence suggest that widespread environmental and human health impacts have resulted from documented spills, blowouts, leaking wells and other environmental accidents due to the practice of “fracking”; and

WHEREAS in 2005, over objections of health care, scientific, environmental and conservation communities, Congress passed the Energy Policy Act, which exempted regulation of “fracking” fluids under the Safe Drinking Water Act, thereby allowing oil and gas companies to use these substances without federal oversight or standards; and

WHEREAS “fracking” is exempt from several other major federal regulations, including the Clean Water Act and the Clean Air Act, and the oil and gas industries are not required by federal law to publicly disclose chemical formulas of hydraulic fracturing fluids; and

WHEREAS in 2011, Congress considered but failed to enact H.R. 1084: Fracturing Responsibility and Awareness of Chemical Act (“FRAC Act”), which would have repealed the exemption of “fracking” from the Safe Drinking Water Act and require disclosure of chemicals used in fracking, as well as H.R. 1204: the Bringing Reductions to Energy’s Airborne Toxic Health Effects Act (“BREATHE Act”), which would have repealed the exemption under the Clean Air Act for aggregation of emissions from oil and gas development sources; and

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WHEREAS the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency issued regulations in 2012 that will require fracking operators to reduce harmful emissions that cause air pollution and the Bureau of Land Management has proposed regulations that would require fracking operators to disclose the chemicals used in operations conducted on public land and Indian land; and

WHEREAS several states, including Wyoming, Indiana, and Colorado have issued regulations to require fracking operators to disclose the chemicals used in their operations; and

WHEREAS the Environmental Protection Agency released a progress report for a study of hydraulic fracturing and its potential impact on drinking water in December 2012 and a final report is due in 2014.

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is deeply concerned by the potentially irreversible damage that could be caused to our water systems and supplies by hydraulic fracturing or “fracking” of shale for the commercial extraction of natural gas and strongly urges the Michigan Legislature and Governor to place a moratorium on any new “fracking” activities until the safety of the processes and its related chemicals have been fully investigated and vetted by the State of Michigan’s Department of Environmental Quality and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians supports ongoing federal and state efforts to regulate “fracking” and encourages Congressional leaders to reintroduce the FRAC Act and the BREATHE Act.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, copies of this resolution will be sent to the Michigan Legislature and Governor immediately.

CERTIFICATION

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Aaron Payment, Tribal Chairperson
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Cathy Abramson, Secretary
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RESOLUTION NO: _____

**OPPOSING SALE OR EXCHANGE OF PUBLIC LANDS TO
GRAYMONT**

WHEREAS, Graymont, a company engaged in the production of lime and limestone products, seeks to acquire approximately 11,500 acres of state-owned public land near Rexton in the Eastern Upper Peninsula of Michigan, and proposes to utilize these lands, together with approximately 1,500 acres of private and federal lands, to develop a 13,000 acre limestone mining project that would include both surface and subsurface mining; and

WHEREAS, the sale of state-owned public lands on this massive scale is unprecedented, at least in modern times; and

WHEREAS, the state-owned public lands sought by Graymont are located within the Newberry Moraine, contain large blocks of high quality Mesic Northern Hardwood forest type, and also contain the headwaters of the South Branch of the Carp River, the Black River, and other streams that flow into Lakes Huron, Michigan, and Superior; and

WHEREAS, the environmental impacts of the proposed mining and processing activities have not been identified, published, or discussed with the public; and

WHEREAS, at least 1,200 members of the Sault Tribe are currently licensed to engage in hunting, fishing, gathering, and other treaty protected activities within a 20 mile radius of the proposed project site; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project will result in the closing of existing access roads and will otherwise restrict or eliminate access to large areas of land that are now open to public use, thereby causing a substantial detrimental impact on the rights of tribal members to utilize these lands for treaty hunting, gathering, and recreation activities as provided by the 2007 Consent Decree in *United States v Michigan*, WD Mich, File No 2: 73 CV 26; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the rights assured by the 2007 Consent Decree, the Tribe has the right to require consultation with the State pursuant to the 2002 Government to Government Accord signed by Governor Engler on December 13, 2002, and recently affirmed by Governor Snyder by Executive Directive 2012-2 (August 23, 2012);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Directors hereby declares its opposition to the proposed transfer of public lands near Rexton in the Eastern; Upper Peninsula to Graymont; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson and/or appropriate staff are directed to seek formal consultation with the State with respect to this issue.

CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13 members, of whom _____ members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly call, notice, convened, and held on the ____ day of _____, 2013; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of _____ members for, _____ members against, _____ members abstaining, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

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Cathy Abramson, Secretary
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
Chippewa Indians

RESOLUTION NO: _____

**PARTIAL WAIVER OF CONVICTIONS FOR
MR. DARREN BOUSCHOR**

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, 25 U.S.C. 467 et seq; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has enacted Tribal Code Chapter 76: Partial Waiver of Conviction for Gaming License Purpose that allows for a partial waiver of conviction be issued to tribal members who have been convicted of a crime and would be denied a license for employment in a gaming operation pursuant to Chapter 42; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Darren Bouschor, a tribal member who was convicted of:

1. Misdemeanor Larceny - \$200-\$1000 – 2/2011

WHEREAS, Mr. Darren Bouschor, would be denied a license for employment as a key employee or primary management official because of the criminal conviction; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has determined that Mr. Darren Bouschor is not likely to engage in any offensive or criminal course of conduct and the public good does not require that she be denied a license as a key employee or primary management official.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors, pursuant to Tribal Code Chapter 76 grants a partial waiver to Mr. Darren Bouschor for the convictions of:

1. Misdemeanor Larceny - \$200-\$1000 – 2/2011

CERTIFICATION

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RESOLUTION NO: _____

**PARTIAL WAIVER OF CONVICTIONS FOR
MR. TRAVIS GARDNER**

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, 25 U.S.C. 467 et seq; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has enacted Tribal Code Chapter 76: Partial Waiver of Conviction for Gaming License Purpose that allows for a partial waiver of conviction be issued to tribal members who have been convicted of a crime and would be denied a license for employment in a gaming operation pursuant to Chapter 42; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Travis Gardner, a tribal member who was convicted of:

1. Larceny from a Building – 10/2012

WHEREAS, Mr. Travis Gardner, would be denied a license for employment as a key employee or primary management official because of the criminal conviction; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has determined that Mr. Travis Gardner is not likely to engage in any offensive or criminal course of conduct and the public good does not require that she be denied a license as a key employee or primary management official.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors, pursuant to Tribal Code Chapter 76 grants a partial waiver to Mr. Travis Gardner for the convictions of:

1. Larceny from a Building – 10/2012

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

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