

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING
KEWADIN CASINO AND CONVENTION CENTER
SAULT STE. MARIE, MICHIGAN**

March 12, 2024

5:00 P.M.

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. INVOCATION: Prayer, Smudging
- IV. MEMBERSHIP PARTICIPATION
- V. PRESENTATION:
- VI. MINUTES: 2/20/24, 2/27/24 Special Meeting
- VII. RESOLUTIONS: Victim's Assistance FY24 Budget Mod and Crime Victim Sustainability Fund FY24 Budget
Environmental Utility Authority Contract FY24 Budget
MAT Clinic FY24 Budget Modification
Approval – 2024 Indian Housing Plan Amendment
FY 2024 Indian Housing Block Grant Application
Amending Chapter 42: Gaming Ordinance
Authorizing Limited Waiver – Liquor License
105(L) Facility Lease Program
Naming Sacred Heart Property
Naming Gaming Commission Wing
Transfer Indian Energy to Sault Tribe EDC
ARPA Fund Appropriation – Unit 5 Housing Project
Reaffirm Support – Decommission Enbridge Line 5
Voiding All Conversion Fishing Agreements and Amending Tribal Code Chapter 20
- VIII. NEW BUSINESS Committee Appointments
Board Concerns
- IX. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION
- X. RECONVENE AND REAFFIRM
- XI. ADJOURN

RESOLUTION NO: _____

**ACFS – FY 2024 BUDGET MODIFICATION TO VICTIM’S ASSISTANCE
AND ESTABLISHMENT OF FY 2024 BUDGET FOR CRIME VICTIM
SUSTAINABILITY FUND**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2024 budget modification to Victim’s Assistance to decrease the Michigan Department of HHS monies of \$131,609.00. This budget modification will make changes to the personnel sheet and reallocate expenses. No effect on Tribal Support.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the establishment of a FY 2024 budget for Crime Victim Sustainability Fund (CVSF) with Michigan Department of HHS monies of \$131,609.00. No effect on Tribal Support.

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

We, the undersigned, as Chairman 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 _____ 2024; 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vote of _____ members for, _____ members against, _____ members abstaining, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Austin Lowes, Chairman
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
Chippewa Indians

Kimberly Hampton, Secretary
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
Chippewa Indians

RESOLUTION NO: _____

**NATURAL RESOURCES
ENVIRONMENTAL UTILITY AUTHORITY CONTRACT
ESTABLISHMENT OF FY 2024 BUDGET**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the establishment of a FY 2024 budget for Environmental Utility Authority Contract with Other Revenue monies of \$56,418.72. No effect on Tribal Support.

CERTIFICATION

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Kimberly Hampton, Secretary
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RESOLUTION NO: _____

**HEALTH CENTER – MAT CLINIC
FY 2024 BUDGET MODIFICATION**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2024 budget modification for Health Center – MAT Clinic for a change to the personnel page and a reallocation of expenses. No effect on Tribal Support.

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

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Kimberly Hampton, Secretary
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RESOLUTION NO: _____

**APPROVAL - 2024 INDIAN HOUSING PLAN
AMENDMENT**

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a duly organized Indian Tribe under the Indian Reorganization Act of June 15, 1934 (48 stat. 37); and

WHEREAS, the Sault Tribe Housing Authority (STHA), is organized by Tribal Ordinance, Chapter 90 and formally designated by the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors as the Tribally Designated Housing Entity by Resolution No 98-66; and

WHEREAS, Section 102 of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act (NAHASDA) requires the submission of an Indian Housing Plan (IHP) for guiding and accomplishing housing activities to meet tribal membership housing needs; and

WHEREAS, there are funds made available through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Office of Native American Programs (ONAP) to meet the needs according to the IHP; and

WHEREAS, a single activity needs to be added to the FY2024 IHP, to reflect the Hessel Community Center Parking Lot Project. The added activity will allow the Housing Authority to replace the dilapidated parking lot at the Hessel Community Center located on the Hessel Housing Site. This project will be funded by the FY2024 Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) grant dollars.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Sault Tribe Board of Directors approves the amended 2024 Indian Housing Plan, Grant No. 55-IH-26-5480, as presented and approves the submission of the amended FY2024 IHP to HUD for approval and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors and Sault Tribe Housing Commission does agree to follow the HUD approved Indian Housing Plan in order to provide housing opportunities.

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

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Kimberly Hampton, Secretary
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RESOLUTION NO: _____

**U. S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT
(HUD)
FY 2024 INDIAN HOUSING BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM-
COMPETITIVE GRANT (IHBG-C) APPLICATION**

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has solicited a funding opportunity (FR-6700-N-48) for the Indian Housing Block Grant Program – Competitive Grants (IHBG-C); and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Indian Housing Block Grant Program – Competitive Grants (IHBG-C), is the development of viable Indian and Alaska Native communities, including the creation of decent housing, suitable living environments, and economic opportunities primarily for persons with low and moderate incomes; and

WHEREAS, the competitive funding will provide site work and infrastructure (water, sewer and electricity) and a 12 to 14-unit apartment complex for single person rental units that are low to moderate income tribal families on the Odenaang housing site; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority is seeking approval to apply for an award of up to \$6,000,000 of IHBG-C funds; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors hereby authorizes and directs the Sault Tribe Housing Authority Director or its duly authorized representative, to develop and submit an application requesting up to \$6,000,000 for the FY 2024 Indian Housing Block Grant P Competitive (FR-6700-N-48) and the Tribe will not be submitting a separate application.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors hereby authorizes and approves the Sault Tribe Housing Authority Director, or their designee, to accept the FY 2024 Indian Housing Block Grant Program Competitive Grants (IHBG-C) grant if it is awarded and execute such documents and agreements as may be necessary to further this purpose.

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

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Kimberly Hampton, Secretary
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RESOLUTION NO: _____

AMENDING CHAPTER 42: GAMING ORDINANCE

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby adopts the proposed amendments to Chapter 42: Gaming Ordinance attached and incorporated herein.

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

We, the undersigned, as Vice 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 _____ 2024; 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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RESOLUTION NO: _____

**AUTHORIZING A LIMITED WAIVER OF SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY
AND
CONSENT TO JURISDICTION AS REQUIRED TO OBTAIN A LIQUOR
LICENSE FROM THE MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, as follows:

Section 1: RECITALS

1.1 The Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians (the "Tribe") purchased a liquor license from RTA Enterprises, LLC which was issued by the Michigan Liquor Control ("Commission") to be used at Bear on the Mountain Golf Course located in Hessel, Michigan, as a wholly owned governmental instrumentality of the Tribe.

1.2 The Commission requires the governing body of a federally recognized Indian tribe to adopt a resolution or otherwise take the steps required under tribal law to authorize a limited waiver of tribal sovereign immunity and consent to the Commission's jurisdiction to address the uncertainties related to the Commission's ability to monitor and ensure the Tribe's compliance with, and prosecute violations of, the Michigan Liquor Control Code of 1998, as amended, and the administrative rules promulgated thereunder.

1.3 In order for the Commission to approve the transfer of the liquor license for the Bear on the Mountain Golf Course to the Tribe, the Tribe pledges herein not to claim or assert tribal sovereign immunity, exclusive Tribal Court jurisdiction, or the non-applicability of the Michigan Liquor Control Code of 1998, as amended, and the administrative rules promulgated thereunder, with respect to any disputes, claims, issues or causes of action between the Commission and the Tribe that might arise from, or relate to, in any respect, the operation, management and business activities at the Bear on the Mountain Golf Course involving the purchase, sale, transportation and/or dispensing of liquor, beer and/or wine and the liquor license for that location, as limited below. All of the foregoing is referred to herein as "Waiver and Consent Obligations."

1.4 It is in the Tribe's interest to resolve as stated herein.

Section 2: LIMITED WAIVER OF SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY; CONSENT TO JURISDICTION; GOVERNING LAW

2.1 Limited waiver of sovereign immunity and consent to jurisdiction. The Tribe waives its sovereign immunity and consents to the Commission's jurisdiction solely for the purpose of allowing the Commission to enforce the terms and

requirements of the Michigan Liquor Control Code of 1998, as amended, and the administrative rules promulgated thereunder against the Tribe for its operation, management and business activities at the Bear on the Mountain Golf Course involving the purchase, sale, transportation and/or dispensing of liquor, beer and/or wine, and its liquor license. This limited waiver applies to any tribal sovereign immunity that may be asserted or claimed on behalf of the Tribe's officers, employees, clerks, representatives and agents for the operation, management and business activities at the Bear on the Mountain Golf Course involving the purchase, sale, transportation and/or dispensing of liquor, beer and/or wine, and its liquor license.

2.2 Actions by those working with or on behalf of the Commission. The Tribe recognizes and agrees that this limited waiver of tribal sovereign immunity and consent to the Commission's jurisdiction is intended to allow any individuals working for or on behalf of the Commission, including the Commission's members, employees and attorneys, as well as any state or local law enforcement agency or its staff, to enforce the Michigan Liquor Control Code of 1998, as amended, and the administrative rules promulgated thereunder in connection with the operation, management and business activities at the Bear on the Mountain Golf Course involving the purchase, sale, transportation and/or dispensing of liquor, beer and/or wine, and its liquor license.

2.3 Limits on the waiver of tribal sovereign immunity. This limited waiver of tribal sovereign immunity and consent to the Commission's jurisdiction does not extend to any claim or action against any other instrumentality of the Tribe, person or entity, other state liquor licenses that the Tribe may possess, or to any issue arising under the Tribe's gaming compact with the State of Michigan in its current form as it may be amended or superseded in the future. Nor shall this limited waiver of tribal sovereign immunity and consent to the Commission's jurisdiction be deemed a waiver of any other of the rights, privileges or immunities of any other person or entity.

2.4 No expanded scope without the Board of Director's express, written consent. This limited waiver of sovereign immunity and consent to the Commission's jurisdiction may not be expanded beyond the scope stated in this resolution without the Board of Directors' express, written consent on behalf of the Tribe.

2.5 Governing law. The Tribe agrees to be bound by, and to comply with, the Michigan Liquor Control Code of 1998, as amended, and the administrative rules promulgated thereunder, in the same manner as any other licensee of the Commission without tribal sovereign immunity.

2.6 Enforcement. The Tribe agrees that the Commission may seek and/or impose any legal, equitable or other relief or penalties, including fines and the seizure and forfeiture of contraband, authorized by the Michigan Liquor Control Code of 1998, as amended, and the administrative rules promulgated thereunder, without limitation.

2.7 No specific pledge of assets. To the extent that the Commission seeks to recover any unpaid fees or fines, no specific pledge of assets is required if the fees or fines can be satisfied or otherwise recovered from the Bear on the Mountain Golf Course assets, including its real property. Nor is any specific pledge of assets required for the Commission to seek to seize and forfeit any contraband associated with the Bear on the Mountain Golf Course in accordance with the Michigan Liquor Control Code of 1998, as amended, and the administrative rules promulgated thereunder.

2.8 Effective date. This limited waiver of tribal sovereign immunity takes effect upon the date that the liquor license, if any, is transferred to the Tribe by the Commission and the license is effective under Michigan law. This limited waiver of tribal sovereign immunity remains in effect as long as the Tribe, or any assignee of the Tribe's rights, holds any liquor license under the Michigan Liquor Control Code of 1998, as amended, and the administrative rules promulgated thereunder, at the Bear on the Mountain Golf Course.

2.9 Survival. This limited waiver of tribal sovereign immunity shall survive until the *later* of either one of the following two circumstances:

The conclusion of any legal proceeding by or against the Tribe for its operation, management and business activities at the Bear on the Mountain Golf Course involving the purchase, sale, transportation and/or dispensing of liquor, beer and/or wine, or its liquor license.

The tribe permanently ceases to own, operate, manage or engage in business at the Bear on the Mountain Golf Course involving the purchase, sale, transportation and/or dispensing of liquor, beer and/or wine, or liquor license, whether directly or through a different entity or tribal instrumentality.

2.10 Revoking, rescinding, altering or rendering this resolution ineffective. The Tribe understands and agrees that, if this resolution is revoked, rescinded, altered or made otherwise ineffective while the Tribe owns, operates, manages or engages in business activities at the Bear on the Mountain Golf Course involving the purchase, sale, transportation and/or dispensing of liquor, beer and/or wine, or a liquor license, the Commission may initiate disciplinary proceedings, including proceedings to summarily suspend and/or revoke the liquor license for Bear on the Mountain Golf Course.

Section 3: WAIVER OF TRIBAL COURT JURISDICTION

3.1 Waiver of Tribal Court jurisdiction. The Board of Directors waives any exclusive jurisdiction that the Tribe’s Tribal Court may otherwise have over any action arising under Section 2.

3.2 Consent to jurisdiction in state court and in the Commission. The Tribe agrees that actions initiated by the Commission in accordance with this limited waiver of sovereign immunity and consent to the Commission’s jurisdiction may be brought in the courts of the State of Michigan and/or in an administrative proceeding before the Commission.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that adoption of this resolution by the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby rescinds Resolution 2024-66.

CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned, as Chairman 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 _____ 2024; 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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Kimberly Hampton, Secretary
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RESOLUTION NO: _____

105(L) FACILITY LEASE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, federal law requires the Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior to enter into a lease agreement with a tribe proposing a lease pursuant to Section 105(1) of Public Law 93-638, as amended (codified at 25 U.S.C. 5 5324(1)), with such lease compensation as calculated in accordance with 25 C.F.R. Part 900 Subpart H (beginning at 25 C.F.R. 5 900.69); and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of the Interior requires tribes and tribal organizations to certify that all information provided by the tribe or tribal organization for purposes of calculation of calculating lease compensation under Section 105(1) of Public Law 93-638 is true and correct; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Tribal Chairman is authorized to submit a lease proposal to the U.S. Department of the Interior for the following facilities) pursuant to Public Law 93-638:

Chip MacArthur Facilities	2280 Shunk Rd Sault MI
Fred Hatch Building	206 Greenough St Sault MI
Mary Murray Building	2218 Shunk Rd Sault MI
Nokomis/Mishomis	2076 Shunk Rd Sault MI
USDA	3601 Mackinac Trail Sault MI
Lambert Center	225 Waseh Dr St Ignace MI
Admin (Penny's)	523 Ashmun St Sault MI
Admin (WWUL)	531 Ashmun St Sault MI
Admin (WWLL)	531 Ashmun St Sault MI
ST Health Center	2864 Ashmun St Sault MI
George Nolan Judicial	2175 Shunk Rd Sault I
Dawn Eavou Building	2163 Migisa Court Sault MI
Inland Building	2428 Shunk Rd. Sault MI
Enrollment Building	2428 Shunk Rd Sault MI
Chi Mukwa	2 Ice Circle Dr Sault MI
Munising Health Center	622 W Superior St Munising MI
Niigaanagizhik	11 Ice Circle Dr Sault MI
Mary Murray Cultural Camp	6722 E 3 Mile Rd Sugar Island MI
Stallman	16877 S Watertower Dr Kincheloe MI
Harbor / Docks	Seamen Grand Marias Fairport Epoufette
McCann	399 McCann St Ignace MI
Newberry Health Center	4935 Zee-Ba-Tik Lane Newberry MI
Manistique Health Center	5698 W US-2 Manistique MI
Advocacy Resource Center	2769 Ashmun St Sault MI
Grimes Property	2354 E M-134 Hessel MI
Escanaba Community Center	3721 Jin Gob St Escanaba, MI
Anne Suggitt Child Care Center	4 Ice Circle Dr Sault MI

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Child Advocacy Center 1860 E 16th St Sault MI
Lodge of Hope, Homeless Shelter 3901 & 3903 I-75 Bus. Spur Sault MI

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes to negotiate and execute said lease agreement and to take all measures necessary to implement said lease agreement for January 1 – December 31, 2024 and subsequent lease periods for which funds are available.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Sault Tribe Chief Financial Officer is hereby designated as the appropriate official to verify the information provided by the tribe or tribal organization for purposes of calculating lease compensation under Section 1050) of Public Law 93-638, and is hereby authorized to attest as to the accuracy of such.

CERTIFICATION

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Austin Lowes, Chairman
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
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Kimberly Hampton, Secretary
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
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RESOLUTION NO: _____

NAMING SACRED HEART PROPERTY

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians (“Tribe”) is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe purchased Sacred Heart Property on Sugar Island for cultural and traditional use; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe wishes to honor Dennis McKelvie and name the Sacred Heart Property and any property acquired adjacent to this property as Denny McKelvie Memorial Park.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors for the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby designates Sacred Heart Property acquired for cultural and traditional use and any property acquired adjacent to this property as Denny McKelvie Memorial Park.

CERTIFICATION

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RESOLUTION NO: _____

NAMING GAMING COMMISSION WING

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians (“Tribe”) is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Gaming Commission moved into a wing of the building at 2076 Shunk Rd., Sault Ste. Marie, MI, 49783; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe wishes to honor Ken Ermatinger who served as the Director of the Gaming Commission for over 23 years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors for the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby designates the wing at 2076 Shunk Rd where the Gaming Commission is currently located to be named the Ken Ermatinger Wing.

CERTIFICATION

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RESOLUTION NO: _____

TRANSFERRING INDIAN ENERGY TO SAULT TRIBE EDC

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby transfers all interests and rights the Tribe has in Indian Energy to the Sault Tribe EDC.

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RESOLUTION NO: _____

**ARPA FUND APPROPRIATION – UNIT 5
HOUSING PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe designated a portion of ARPA funds to benefit each unit; and

WHEREAS, Unit 5 was designated \$4 million in Resolution 2022-71 for housing and community centers; and

WHEREAS, Unit 5 appropriated \$1 million of those funds to the Munising Community Center in Resolution 2022-145; and

WHEREAS, Health is currently responsible for the Munising Community Center; and

WHEREAS, Unit 5 is seeking to rescind Resolution 2022-145 to use that \$1 million towards a Housing Project; and

WHEREAS, land is scarce in Unit 5 for a Housing Project; and

WHEREAS, the Wetmore property the Tribe owns in Unit 5, was designated in Resolution 2015-89 for cultural use only; and

WHEREAS, Unit 5 is seeking to rescind Resolution 2015-89 to explore the possibility of using the Wetmore property for a Housing Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors hereby rescinds both Resolution 2022-145 and Resolution 2015-89.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Sault Tribe Board of Directors hereby authorizes \$2,000,000 utilizing the remaining ARPA funds designated for Unit 5, for the purchase of land, development, construction, and infrastructure of the Unit 5 Housing Project, in a location to be identified by Unit 5.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Sault Tribe Board of Directors hereby authorizes the CFO to make any internal budget modifications necessary to carry out the intent of this resolution.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes and approves the Tribal Chairman, or his designee, to execute any and all documents

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up to the budgeted amount that would be necessary and appropriate to carry out the terms, conditions, and intent of this Resolution.

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RESOLUTION NO: _____

**REAFFIRMING DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL ADVOCACY IN
SUPPORT OF DECOMMISSIONING ENBRIDGE LINE 5**

WHEREAS, the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, as amended; and

WHEREAS, Enbridge Line 5 dual pipelines continues to threaten three Great Lakes and numerous precious rivers and streams, the home of our treaty fisheries and a necessary resource for cultural practices and lifeways, including endangering the sacred site of the Anishinaabe Creation Story; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has previously expressed its opposition to the continued operation of Line 5 and its support of decommissioning the dual pipelines in Tribal Resolutions 2015-045 and 2016-143; and

WHEREAS, Enbridge has continued in its unlawful actions of Trespass on the Bad River of Lake Superior Chippewa's Reservation and in defiance of a lawful order of the Governor of Michigan, an order that revoked a 1953 easement for the section of pipeline in the Straits of Mackinac.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors hereby approves domestic and international advocacy efforts to obtain the final goal of decommissioning Enbridge Line 5 and eliminate this threat to the Great Lakes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Tribe, or his designee, is authorized to execute or amend any and all documents relating to this effort.

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Kimberly Hampton, Secretary
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RESOLUTION NO: _____

**VOIDING ALL CONVERSION FISHING AGREEMENTS AND
AMENDING TRIBAL CODE CHAPTER 20**

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby officially rescinds and voids all conversion fisher agreements; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any restrictions imposed on the fishing license of any fisher currently fishing pursuant to a conversion agreement is hereby removed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all conversion fishing license shall revert to the license that was in effect before entering the Conversion Agreement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any conversion fisher currently operating a Large Boat Trap Net Operation whose license shall revert to a Small Boat license shall be allowed the continued operation of their Large Boat for the sole purpose of the continued operation of their Trap Net Operation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Tribal Code Chapter 20 shall be amended to incorporate the changes necessary to be in line with this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Tribal Administration is directed to work with Tribal Law Enforcement to reissue any Commercial Captains Licenses as necessary to be in accordance with these amendments; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that these revisions shall be effective immediately.

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

We, the undersigned, as Chairman 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 _____ 2024; 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.

Austin Lowes, Chairman
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
Chippewa Indians

Kimberly Hampton, Secretary
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
Chippewa IndianS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

March 12, 2024

Sponsor's List

RESOLUTIONS:

ACFS – FY2024 Budget Modification to Victim's Assistance and Establishment of FY 2024

Budget for Crime Victim Sustainability Fund – Jami Moran

Natural Resources Environmental Utility Authority Contract Establishment of FY 2024 Budget – Robin Bouschor

Health Center – MAT Clinic FY 2024 Budget Modification – Carrie Horton

Approval – 2024 Indian Housing Plan Amendment – Joni Talentino

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) FY 2024 Indian Housing Block Grant Program Competitive Grant (IHBG-C) Application – Joni Talentino

Amending Chapter 42: Gaming Ordinance – Michael Pins/Josh Elliot

Authorizing A Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity and Consent to Jurisdiction as Required to Obtain a Liquor License from the Michigan Liquor Control Commission – Dan Doyle/Josh Elliot

105(L) Facility Lease Program – Robert Schulte

Naming Sacred Heart Property – Director Freiheit

Naming Gaming Commission Wing – Director McKechnie

Transferring Indian Energy to Sault Tribe EDC – Directors' McKechnie and LaPlaunt

ARPA Fund Appropriation – Unit 5 Housing Project – Director LaPlaunt

Reaffirming Domestic and International Advocacy in Support of Decommissioning Enbridge Line 5 – Director McRorie

Voiding all Conversion Fishing Agreements and Amending Tribal Code Chapter 20 – Director Borowicz

NEW BUSINESS:

Committee Appointments

Board Concerns

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Directors
FROM: Lona Stewart, Board Administrator
DATE: March 7, 2024
RE: Workshop Agenda for March 12, 2024

AGENDA **Closed Session**

10:00
Budgets

10:30
Health Report

11:00
Executive Reports - Governmental

12:00 – 1:00
Lunch Break

1:00
Tribal Focus Interim Report (CLOSED)

2:00
CWC – Customary Adoptions – Ch 30 Amendments

3:00
Long Term 2% Funding

3:30
Tribal Nations Housing Development Assistance Program

4:00
Agenda Review

5:00
Board of Directors Regular Meeting