

## ROLL CALL MATRIX

Meeting Date: 7/18/2023

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| P |   | MICHAEL MCKERCHIE  |     | Y   |     |     | Y   |     |     |     | N   | Y   | N   |     |
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| P |   | BETTY FREIHEIT     |     | N   |     |     | 1Y  |     |     |     | 2Y  | N   | 1Y  |     |
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| P |   | ISAAC MCKECHNIE    | 2Y  | N   |     |     | N   |     |     |     | Y   | Y   | Y   |     |
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| P |   | ROBERT MCRORIE     |     | Y   |     |     | 2Y  |     | 2   |     | Y   | Y   | 2Y  | 2   |
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| P |   | LANA CAUSLEY-SMITH |     | N   |     | 1   | Y   |     |     | 1   | Y   | 1Y  | N   | 1   |
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| P |   | KIMBERLY LEE       |     | Y   |     |     | Y   |     |     |     | Y   | Y   | Y   |     |
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| P |   | BRIDGETT SORENSON  | 1Y  | 2Y  | 1   |     | Y   | 1   |     | 2   | N   | 2Y  | N   |     |
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| P |   | SHAWN BOROWICZ     |     | Y   |     |     | Y   |     |     |     | Y   | Y   | N   |     |
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| P |   | DARCY MORROW       |     | 1Y  | 2   |     | Y   | 2   |     |     | N   | Y   | N   |     |
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| P |   | KIMBERLY HAMPTON   |     | Y   |     |     | Y   |     |     |     | Y   | Y   | Y   |     |
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| P |   | TYLER LAPLAUNT     |     | Y   |     | 2   | Y   |     | 1   |     | 1Y  | Y   | Y   |     |
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| P |   | AUSTIN LOWES       |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |

1- Made Motion

Y-Voted Yes

A-Abstained

UA- Unanimous Acclamation

2-Second/Support Motion

N-Voted No

U-Unanimous

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| P |   | MICHAEL MCKERCHIE  |     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| P |   | ROBERT MCRORIE     |     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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1- Made Motion  
 Y-Voted Yes  
 A-Abstained  
 UA- Unanimous Acclamation

2-Second/Support Motion  
 N-Voted No  
 U-Unanimous



RESOLUTION NO: 2023-234

**HEALTH DIVISION – SAULT STE MARIE ADMINISTRATION  
FY 2023 BUDGET MODIFICATION**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2023 budget modification to Sault Ste. Marie Health Center – Administration for changes to the personnel sheet and a reallocation of expenses. No effect on Tribal Support.

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**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 12 members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 18 day of July 2023; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 11 members for, 0 members against, 0 members abstaining, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

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: 2023-235

**HEALTH DIVISION – PURCHASED REFERRED CARE  
AND THIRD-PARTY REVENUE  
FY 2023 BUDGET MODIFICATIONS**

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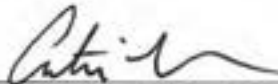
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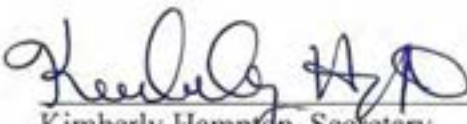
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2023 budget modification to the Purchased Referred Care for an increase in Third-Party Revenue monies of \$840,800.49. This budget modification will reallocate expenses and increase direct services. No effect on Tribal Support.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2023 budget modification to Third-Party Revenue increasing the transfer out of \$840,800.49. No effect on Tribal Support.

**CERTIFICATION**

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Kimberly Hampton, Secretary  
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RESOLUTION NO: 2023-230

**HEALTH DIVISION – ST IGNACE PHARMACY  
AND THIRD-PARTY REVENUE  
FY 2023 BUDGET MODIFICATIONS**

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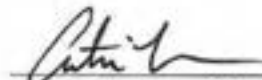
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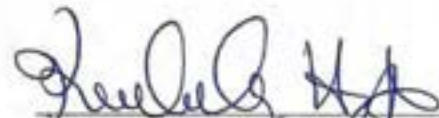
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2023 budget modification to St. Ignace Pharmacy for an increase in Third-Party Revenue monies of \$94,157.19. This budget modification will increase expenses. No effect on Tribal Support.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2023 budget modification to Third-Party Revenue increasing the transfer out of \$94,157.19. No effect on Tribal Support.

**CERTIFICATION**

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Austin Lowes, Chairman  
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Kimberly Hampton, Secretary  
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RESOLUTION NO: 2023-237

HEALTH DIVISION – WELLNESS PROGRAM  
AND THIRD-PARTY REVENUE  
FY 2023 BUDGET MODIFICATIONS

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BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2023 budget modification to the Wellness Program for an increase in Third-Party Revenue monies of \$29,917.47 and Other Revenue monies of \$7,638.70. This budget modification will update the personnel sheet and other expenses. No effect on Tribal Support.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2023 budget modification to Third-Party Revenue increasing the transfer out of \$29,917.47. No effect on Tribal Support.

**CERTIFICATION**

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RESOLUTION NO: 2023-238

HEALTH DIVISION – SAULT STE MARIE PHARMACY  
AND THIRD-PARTY REVENUE  
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BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2023 budget modification to Sault Ste. Marie Pharmacy for an increase in Third-Party Revenue monies of \$298,354.36. This budget modification will increase direct services. No effect on Tribal Support.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLOVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2023 budget modification to Third-Party Revenue increasing the transfer out of \$298,354.36. No effect on Tribal Support.

**CERTIFICATION**

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RESOLUTION NO: 2023-23A

ENTERPRISES -  
TANGLEWOOD AND HESSEL RIDGE GOLF COURSE  
FY 2023 BUDGET MODIFICATIONS

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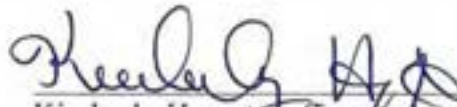
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2023 budget modification to Tanglewood Golf Course to make changes to the personnel sheet and reallocate expenses.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2023 budget modification to Hessel Ridge Golf Course to make changes to the personnel sheet and reallocate expenses.

**CERTIFICATION**

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**IHS MULTI-YEAR FUNDING AGREEMENT**

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 has for many years contracted for the delivery of comprehensive healthcare services and desires to continue to do so; and

WHEREAS, Title V of the Indian Self Determination and Education Assistance Act, as amended, authorizes the Tribe to enter, and the Tribe did enter, into a Compact of Self Governance with the United States Department of Health and Human Services ("Compact") governing federal health services provided to the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, every three years the Tribe and Indian Health Service ("IHS") enter into a Multi-Year Funding Agreement ("Funding Agreement") as a part of funding the Compact pursuant to the authority in Title V of the Indian Self Determination and Education Assistance Act; and

WHEREAS, funding provided under the Funding Agreement is based, among other factors, on the Tribe's active user population as defined by IHS which, as of December 31, 2013, the Tribe's Service Area Patient Count is 15,645; and

WHEREAS, the Funding Agreement currently in effect was approved by Resolution 2019-304, and needs to be updated in order to include additional services; and

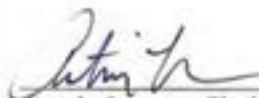
WHEREAS, the Tribe and IHS recently entered into negotiations to discuss the specific provisions and budgeted amounts under a new Multi-Year Funding Agreement.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors hereby authorizes the Tribal Chairman or his designee to negotiate, amend, and execute such Agreement on behalf of the Tribe; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the I.H.S. Multi-Year Funding Agreement shall be brought back to the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors for final approval.

**CERTIFICATION**

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## 2023 AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL CHALLENGE

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WHEREAS, the mission of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Wildlife Program (STWP) is to protect, enhance, and support our members' rights, relationships, and responsibilities with and as part of ecological communities using Anishinaabe and Western Science frameworks to ensure ecological resilience while fostering strong connections between Anishinaabe communities and governmental agencies and non-governmental organizations; and

WHEREAS, the Sault Tribe Wildlife Program has demonstrated a commitment to the conservation and restoration of natural habitats in the region, with a specific focus on invasive species management and native plant restoration; and

WHEREAS, the St. Mary's River is a critical ecosystem that is currently facing environmental challenges, including invasive species encroachment and loss of native plant diversity; and

WHEREAS, the America the Beautiful Challenge Grant offers funding opportunities to support the restoration and enhancement of natural areas, with a focus on engaging local communities and promoting collaboration among stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, the Sault Tribe Wildlife Program aims to advance its ongoing efforts in invasive species management and native plant restoration by leveraging external funding through the America the Beautiful Challenge Grant; and

WHEREAS, the grant will enable the Sault Tribe Wildlife Program to implement targeted strategies and initiatives aimed at restoring the St. Mary's River, ultimately improving the ecological health of the area and preserving its biodiversity; and

WHEREAS, by applying for the America the Beautiful Challenge Grant, the Sault Tribe Wildlife Program seeks to enhance its capacity to undertake conservation efforts and leverage resources to create a sustainable and resilient ecosystem;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorizes Austin Lowes, Tribal Chairman, or his duly authorized representative to sign, negotiate, amend and execute any agreements thereof for the America the Beautiful Challenge administered by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation.

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RESOLUTION NO: 2023-242

**AWARD AGREEMENT TO UPEA ENGINEERS & ARCHITECTS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR UNIT 5 MARQUETTE COMMUNITY CENTER**

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians ("Tribe") is organized pursuant to the Constitution of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors hereby approves Task Order N0. 06 Agreement with UPEA Engineers & Architects for Professional Services related to the Unit 5 Marquette Health & Community Center Renovation Project.

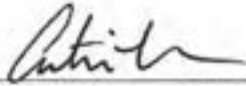
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the Task Order amount of \$142,950.00 for design work and project management services.

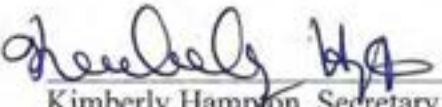
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the use of any available ARPA funds for Unit 5.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes and approves the Tribal Chairman, or his designee (Facilities & Operations Manager), to execute any and all documents, including ancillary or supplemental documents, including appropriate internal budget modifications or forms that do not change the substantive terms of the agreements and project, as may be necessary and appropriate to carry out the terms, conditions, and intent of this Resolution.

**CERTIFICATION**

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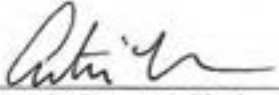
**APPROVE PROPOSAL FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR FISHERIES VIDEO PRODUCTION PROJECT**

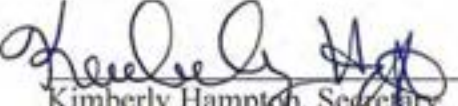
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the proposal of Aaron Peterson Studios for video production services to document the Sault Tribe Fisheries program and the ongoing work to sustainably manage the Great Lakes Fishery.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorizes the Tribal Chairman, or his designee, to negotiate a contract between the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and Aaron Peterson Studios, with review of the Legal Department, to carry out the intent of this resolution.

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RESOLUTION NO: 2023-244

AMENDING CHAPTER 14: RULES OF PARLIAMENTARY  
PROCEDURE ORDINANCE SECTION 119:  
DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Chapter 14 Section 119:  
Disciplinary Procedure, shall be amended to read as follows:

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**14.119 Disciplinary Procedures.**

(1) All persons present at a meeting shall obey the legitimate orders of the Chairperson. The Chairperson has the duty to rule on all questions of parliamentary procedure affecting the proceedings of the Board.

(2) The Chairperson has the authority to rule any Board member as being out of order if he or she violates the rules of parliamentary procedures set forth in this Chapter or *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised*, as applicable.

(3) For serious or repeated violations of order, any Board member can move to penalize the offending member or the Chairperson can inquire as to whether the Board desires to penalize the offending member. A motion to penalize can include that the offending member be censured or be required to leave the meeting, or both. As used herein, "censure" refers to the authority of the Board to impose a fine or reduce or suspend any benefit(s) that Board members receive (except the right to attend subsequent meetings); provided, however, that any such fine or reduction or suspension of any benefit(s) shall not exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) per censure. The motion requires a second and must be approved by a **Simple Majority**. The provisions of Section 14.110 may be utilized to prevent the offending Board member from voting on a motion to penalize.

All other sections and subsections of Chapter 14 shall remain unchanged.

**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 12 members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 18 day of July 2023; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 6 members for, 5 members against, 0 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  
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RESOLUTION NO: 2023-245

**RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE LEGISLATION TO CREATE THE TRUTH AND HEALING COMMISSION ON FEDERAL INDIAN BOARDING SCHOOL POLICIES ACT IN THE UNITED STATES**

WHEREAS, attempts to destroy Native cultures, religions, and languages through assimilationist practices and policies can be traced to the early 17th century and the founding charters of some of the oldest educational institutions in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the federal Indian Boarding School Policy was expressly intended to accomplish genocide—the systematic destruction of Indigenous identities and beliefs, and taking of Native lands; and

WHEREAS, between 1819 and the 1960s hundreds of thousands of American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian children were removed from their homes and families and placed in Indian boarding schools operated by the federal government and churches; and

WHEREAS, many of the children who were taken to Indian boarding schools did not survive, and of those who did survive, many never returned to their parents, extended families, or communities; and

WHEREAS, many of the children who were taken to Indian boarding schools who did not survive were interred in cemeteries and unmarked graves; and

WHEREAS, American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian communities continue to experience intergenerational trauma and cultural and familial disruption from experiences rooted in Indian Boarding Schools Policies, which divided family structures, damaged cultures and individual identities, and inflicted chronic physical and psychological ramifications on American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian children, families, and communities; and

WHEREAS, the descendants of these children, spanning across multiple generations, bear the legacy of Indian boarding schools and the enduring federal policy that established and perpetuated them, wherein the trauma they endured remains unacknowledged and unresolved to this day; and

WHEREAS, many of the children who were taken to Indian boarding schools and did not survive were interred in cemeteries and unmarked graves; and the children who perished in neighboring hospitals and other institutions were buried in on-campus and off-campus cemeteries and unmarked graves; and

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WHEREAS, parents of children who were forcibly removed from or coerced into leaving their homes and placed in Indian boarding schools were prohibited from visiting or engaging in correspondence with their children; and

WHEREAS, parental resistance to compliance with the harsh, no-contact policy of Indian boarding schools resulted in parents being incarcerated or losing access to basic human rights, food rations, and clothing; and

WHEREAS, the federal government has a responsibility to fully investigate its role in, and the lasting effects of, Indian Boarding School Policies; and

WHEREAS, the survivors of Indian boarding schools are victims of crimes that the United States has never acknowledged or accounted for; and

WHEREAS, the facts and history about the pervasive harm caused continues in the historical and intergenerational trauma attributable to the Boarding School Policy and is poorly understood by the American public, the Congress and the Executive Branch of the federal government; and

WHEREAS, it has been identified that 508 Indian boarding schools existed across 38 states but this does not include day schools, asylums, orphanages, and hospitals that were used to take Native children from their family and Tribes during this same time period; and

WHEREAS, it has been identified that the State of Michigan had 8 Indian Boarding Schools; and

WHEREAS, it has been identified that students from Michigan, including the Sault Ste Marie area, attending the Carlisle Indian Industrial School as well as other Indian Boarding Schools in other states such as the Flandreau Indian School located in South Dakota; and

WHEREAS, to **support the establishment of a Truth and Healing Commission on Indian Boarding School Policies in the United States**, including other necessary advisory committees and subcommittees to:

- formally investigate, document, and report on the histories of Indian boarding schools, Indian Boarding School Policies, and the systematic and long-term effects on Native American peoples;
- to develop recommendations for federal action based on the findings of the Commission;
- to promote healing for survivors of Indian boarding schools, the descendants of those survivors, and the communities of those survivors.

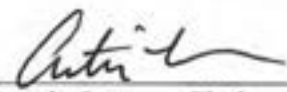
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians does hereby support the "Truth and Healing Commission on Indian Boarding Schools Policies in the United States Act"; and


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians urges the House and Senate to pass the "Truth and Healing Commission on Indian Boarding Schools Policies in the United States Act"; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians calls on President Joe Biden and Interior Secretary Debra Haaland to garner the full authority of the Biden Administration to support these bills.

#### 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: 2023-246

NAMING TRANSFORMATIONAL SHELTER

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

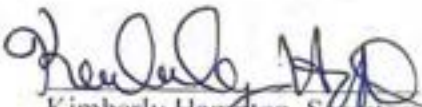
WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians wishes to name the Transformational Shelter located at 3901 I-75 Business Spur in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan "Bgwasendam Gamigong" Lodge of Hope.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indian's hereby designates the Transformational Shelter be known as "Bgwasendam Gamigong" Lodge of Hope.

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