



July 26, 2021

Via First Class Mail and Email

Jamie Azure
Tribal Chairman
Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians
4180 Highway 281
P.O. Box 900
Belcourt, ND 58316

Re: Resolution TMBC427-04-21 – Amendment to Gaming Ordinance

Dear Chairman Azure:

This letter responds to the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians' request sent on June 16, 2021, for the National Indian Gaming Commission Chairman to review and approve a gaming ordinance amendment. Resolution TMBC427-04-21 amends Section 25.0203 of the Band's Gaming Code (Title 25) by raising the salary threshold for Key Employees to mirror 25 C.F.R. § 502.14(b).

The gaming ordinance amendment is approved as it is consistent with the requirements of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act and NIGC regulations. As a reminder, pursuant to 25 C.F.R. § 522.3(a), the Tribe must submit ordinance amendments within 15 days after adoption to the NIGC Chairman. If you have any questions concerning this letter or the ordinance review process, please contact Steve Iverson at (202) 280-8097.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E. Simermeyer".

E. Sequoyah Simermeyer
Chairman

cc: Lorraine Laverdure
Marty Davis

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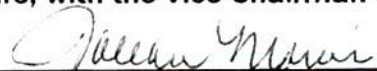
RESOLUTION NUMBER ~~TMBC427-04-21~~ OF THE DULY ELECTED AND CERTIFIED GOVERNING BODY OF
THE TURTLE MOUNTAIN BAND OF CHIPPEWA

- WHEREAS, the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians, hereinafter referred to as the Tribe, is an unincorporated Band of Indians acting under a revised Constitution and bylaws approved by the Secretary of the Interior on June 16, 1959, and amendments thereto approved; and
- WHEREAS, Article IX (a) Section 1 of the Turtle Mountain Constitution and Bylaws empowers the Tribal Council with the authority to represent the Band and to negotiate with the Federal, State and local governments and with private persons; and
- WHEREAS, Article IX (a) Section 1 of the Turtle Mountain Constitution and Bylaws requires a 30-day comment period prior to the adoption of any ordinances or amendments to the Tribal Code, whether proposed by resolution or otherwise. Adoption must occur through a roll call vote of the Tribal Council at a publicly held meeting; and
- WHEREAS, there is a need to amend Title 25 of the Tribal Gaming Code to comply with the Code of Federal Regulations; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribe placed the proposed amendment out for a thirty (30) day comment period by Resolution No. TMBC202-02-21, to amend Title 25, Section 25.0203, Licenses for key employees and primary management officials, 1. (b) as follows: striking thirty thousand dollars \$30,000 and replacing it with fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) 1. (b) If not otherwise included, any other person whose total cash compensation is in excess of ~~thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000)~~ fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) per year and no comments were received; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Tribe is approving the amendment to Title 25, Section 25.0203. Licenses for key employees and primary management officials, 1. (b) as follows: striking thirty thousand dollars \$30,000 and replacing it with fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), effective immediately.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned Tribal Secretary of the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians, do hereby certify that the Tribal Council is composed of ~~nine (9)~~ **nine (9)** members of whom ~~seven (7)~~ **seven (7)** constituting a quorum were present at a meeting duly called, convened and held on the **29th day of April, 2021** that the foregoing resolution was adopted by an affirmative vote of ~~six (6)~~ **six (6)** in favor – Representatives Nathan Davis, Jon Jon Keplin, Craig Lunday, Ron Trottier Sr., Blaine 'Slugger' Davis and Chad Counts; none (0) opposed; **two (2)** absent – Representative Lynn Gourneau and Chairman Jamie Azure; with the Vice-Chairman not voting.


Jolean A. Morin, Tribal Secretary 5/10/21

() SIGNED INTO LAW/Dated this 11 day of May, 2021
() VETOED/Dated this ___ day of _____, 2021


Elmer Davis, Jr., Vice-Chairman


Jamie Azure, Tribal Chairman