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Dear Mr. Hughes:

This letter responds to your request for the National Indian Gaming Commission's (NIGC) review and approval of the amendment to the Pueblo of Santa Clara's (Pueblo) Tribal Gaming Code, submitted on February 8, 2005. Resolution No. 05-02, adopted by the Pueblo on January 31, 2005, amends its Tribal Gaming Code to increase the number of Gaming Commissioners to five (5) and changes the way in which the Commission is appointed. The Tribal Gaming Code was approved by the Chairman of the NIGC on May 29, 1998. This letter constitutes approval of the amendment adopted by Resolution No. 05-02 under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act.

Thank you for submitting the Pueblo's Tribal Gaming Code amendment for review and approval. If you have questions or require further assistance, please contact Ms. Frances Fragua at 202/632-7003.

Sincerely yours, Philip N. Hogen

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## PUEBLO OF SANTA CLARA TRIBAL COUNCIL

## RESOLUTION NO. 05-02

## AMENDING THE SANTA CLARA TRIBAL GAMING CODE TO PROVIDE FOR AN ENLARGED GAMING COMMISSION

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 98-02, adopted by the Tribal Council on January 29, 1998, the Tribal Council adopted a revised Gaming Code, which Code, as subsequently amended, was approved by the National Indian Gaming Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has concluded that the Code as amended requires further amendment to enable the Tribal Council to enlarge the membership of the Santa Clara Tribal Gaming Commission;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Tribal Council of the Pueblo of Santa Clara, as follows:

1. The Santa Clara Tribal Gaming Code, as amended, is hereby further amended as follows:

Section 65.6, "Pueblo of Santa Clara Gaming Commission," (C), "Composition; Staggered Terms," is amended so as to read as follows:

C. Composition; Staggered Terms. The Commission shall consist of five (5) Commissioners appointed by the Tribal Council. Each Commissioner shall serve for a term of three (3) years; provided, that the terms shall be staggered, so that approximately one-third (1/3) of the Commissioners' terms shall expire each year. A Commissioner may serve beyond the expiration of his or her term of office until a successor has been appointed, unless such Commissioner has been removed for cause under subsection E of this Section. A Commissioner may be appointed to succeed himself or herself without limitation.

2. In all other respects, the Gaming Code as amended shall remain in full force and effect.

3. The Pueblo's general counsel is authorized and directed to submit this Resolution to the Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission forthwith, for approval in accordance with the requirements of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act.

## **CERTIFICATION**

I, the undersigned, as Governor of the Pueblo of Santa Clara, hereby certify that the Santa Clara Tribal Council, at a duly called meeting that was convened with proper notice and was held on the 3/ 5<sup>r</sup> day of January, 2005, at the Santa Clara Pueblo, New Mexico, a quorum being present, approved the foregoing Resolution with // members voting in favor, *O* opposed, *O* abstaining and *I* being absent.

Bruce J.f.

Attest: Tribal Secretary