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Mervin Hess Chairman/Director Bishop Paiute Gaming Commission 2742 North Sierra Highway 395 Bishop, CA 93514 Fax: (760) 872-6604

RE: Bishop Paiute Tribe Amended Gaming Ordinance

Dear Chairman Hess:

This letter is in response to your request for the National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC) to review and approve amendments to the Bishop Paiute Tribe Amended Gaming Ordinance (Gaming Ordinance), Resolution No. T2006-48, approved by the Tribal Council on December 20, 2006. This letter constitutes such approval under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA). It is important to note that the Gaming Ordinance is approved for gaming only on Indian lands, as defined in the IGRA, over which the Bishop Paiute Tribe has jurisdiction.

Thank you for submitting the Gaming Ordinance for review and approval. The NIGC staff and I look forward to working with you and the Bishop Paiute Tribe on future gaming issues.

Sincerely Philip N. Hogen

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## **BISHOP PAIUTE GAMING COMMISSION**

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Mr. Philip N. Hogen, Chairman National Indian Gaming Commission 1441 L. St. NW, Suite 9100 Washington, DC 20005

### Re: Bishop Paiute Tribe Amended Gaming Ordinance

Dear Chairman Hogen:

Please find attached to this letter the Amended Gaming Ordinance of the Paiute-Shoshone Indians of the Bishop Community of the Bishop Colony; Bishop Paiute Tribal Council Resolution # T2006-48 and the Bishop Paiute Tribe Internal Control Standards. The Bishop Paiute Tribe has in the best interest of the Bishop Paiute Community and the State of California amended the Bishop Paiute Gaming Ordinance.

As you will find this amended Ordinance clearly distinguishes the complex regulatory and statutory obligations of the Tribal, State and Federal guidelines established.

We look forward to a fruitful and lasting relationship with the NIGC.

Should you require further documentation or have additional questions, please feel free to call my office at 760.872.6005 Ext. 234.

Sincerely, in F. Hess, Chairman/Director

C: Bishop Indian Tribal Council Bishop Paiute Gaming Commission Bishop Paiute Gaming Corporation Ms. Gloriana Bailey, General Manager Bishop Paiute Palace Casino

Attach: Amended Gaming Ordinance Resolution # T2006-48 Bishop Paiute Tribe Internal Control Standards 85 :0! ₩ E- iiii /0]2





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# **BISHOP TRIBAL COUNCIL**

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#### **RESOLUTION NO. T2006-48**

#### SUBJECT: Authorization of Tribal Council Chairman to sign approval of Amended Gaming Ordinance of the Bishop Paiute Tribe

- WHEREAS, the Bishop Paiute Tribe is a Federally recognized sovereign Tribe (The Tribe) and as such is authorized to exercise its Sovereignty. By enacting its own laws governing its own affairs on the Bishop Paiute Reservation, and
- WHEREAS, the Tribe wishes to engage in Class II and Class III gaming activity on its reservation Lands as authorized by 25 U.S.C. § 27702 (The Indian Gaming Regulatory Act), and
- WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act and 25 CFR § 522, The Tribe must enact a Tribal Gaming Ordinance authorizing such desired gaming activity and after such enactment, the Tribe shall additionally be required to submit any such Ordinance to, and receive approval from, the Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC), and
- **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Tribal Council of the Bishop Paiute Tribe hereby approves and enacts the attached amended Tribal Gaming Ordinance,
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Tribal Council designates the Chairman of the Bishop Paiute Tribe, or in the absence the Vice Chairman, as authorized to affix his/her signature on the Ordinance signifying approval.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that upon Tribal Governmental approval of the Ordinance, the Bishop Paiute Gaming Commission is directed to engage in all additional necessary Communications with the National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC) to secure the required approval of the Chairman of NIGC.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

This is certify that this resolution, at which a quorum was present, was approved by the Bishop Indian Tribal Council at duly called Bishop Tribal Council meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2006 and that this resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Attest: Leland Watterson, Chairman unkner Wanda Summers, Secretary Donald Watterson, Member 20/06

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