SPIRIT LAKE TRIBE RESOLUTION NO. A05-15-312



- WHEREAS, the Spirit Lake Tribe of Indians is a federally recognized Indian tribe acting under a revised Constitution dated May 5, 1960, approved by the Acting Commissioner, Bureau of Indian Affairs, July 14, 1961, and as subsequently amended July 17, 1969; May 3, 1974; April 16, 1976; May 4, 1981 and August 19, 1996, which amendments were approved by the Commissioner, Bureau of Indian Affairs; and
- WHEREAS, the Constitution of the Spirit Lake Tribe authorizes and empowers the Spirit Lake Tribal Council, the governing body of the Tribe, to engage in activities on behalf of and in the interest of the welfare and benefit of the Tribe and of the enrolled members thereof; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council request to change the criteria for the distribution for the minor funds and to promote education and understands the importance of education for our youth to obtain their high school diploma or General Education Diploma (GED) to provide better employment opportunities or to attend college to further their education; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has seen over the years a majority of the minors have dropped out of school when they reach the age of 18 and had received their minor funds, therefore; those individual have had difficulty finding employment opportunities to support themselves; and
- WHEREAS, the individual who wished to receive their minor funds is required to submit their high school or GED diploma to the Spirit Lake Education Department for verification and disbursement; and
- NOW BE IT RESOLVED, that the Spirit Lake Tribal Council, pursuant to their vested authority hereby requires the minor funds to be distributed if the minor provides a high school diploma, GED documentation and is the age of 18 and if the individual fails to meet the requirement he/she will receive their minor funds at the age of 21. This will be effective August 21, 2015.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned as Secretary-Treasurer of the Tribal Council, do hereby certify that the Tribal Council is composed of six (6) members of whom five (6) were present, constituting a quorum for a Special Meeting duly called and convened on this 21st day of August, 2015 and approved this resolution by an affirmative vote of four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstaining, and one (1) absent. (The Secretary-Treasurer does not vote and the Chairman votes only in case of a tie.)

Nancy Greene-Robertson
Secretary-Treasurer

Myra Pearson Chairperson