

# LUMBEE TRIBE OF NORTH CAROLINA

CLLR-2019-0620-05

DATE: JUNE 20, 2019

## “RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRIBAL CHAIRMAN TO ENGAGE FIRMS ON A PRO BONO BASIS”

**WHEREAS**, The Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina (“Lumbee Tribe”) is a recognized American Indian Tribe of the State of North Carolina, subject to the Constitution of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina (“Tribal Constitution”) and its inherent powers and self-government, and;

**WHEREAS**, Article VII, Section 1 of the Tribal Constitution delegates all legislative authority to the Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina (“Tribal Council”), and;

**WHEREAS**, The Lumbee Tribe promotes the educational, cultural, social and economic well-being of the Lumbee people, and;

**WHEREAS**, The Lumbee Tribe recognizes the cultural and economic importance of full federal recognition to the Lumbee people and the entire region, and;

**WHEREAS**, The Lumbee Tribes seeks justice and freedom for the Lumbee people as a constitutional mandate;


**WHEREAS**, Pursuing full federal recognition is a feat that must be accomplished with the help and assistance of Lumbee and non-Lumbee alike and includes the full support and cooperation of the Lumbee Tribal government;

**THEREFORE**, Be it resolved, the Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe authorizes the Chairman of the Lumbee Tribe to engage two laws firms on a pro bono basis to represent the Tribe before Congress and the Department of the Interior on the Lumbee recognition bills pending in Congress. Specifically, the Tribe proposes to engage Heather Sibbison, a partner at Dentons, to take the lead in work on the bill in the House of Representatives and Paul Moorehead, a partner at Powers Pyle Sutte Verville to take the lead on the bill in the Senate and before the Department of Interior.


- The Tribal Chairman shall provide updates to the Tribal Council on a monthly basis.

## CERTIFICATION

THIS CLLR-2019-0620-05 “RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRIBAL CHAIRMAN TO ENGAGE FIRMS ON A PRO BONO BASIS”, ADOPTED AT A MEETING OF THE TWENTY-ONE (21) MEMBER TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE LUMBEE TRIBE OF NORTH CAROLINA WHERE 17 MEMBERS WERE PRESENT, CONSTITUTING A QUORUM, THIS THE 20<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2019 BY A VOTE OF 17 YES, 0 NO, AND 0 ABSTENTION(S).

  
ATTEST: RICKY BURNETT  
Speaker, Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina

6/20/19  
Date

  
ATTEST: WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM  
Secretary, Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina

06/20/19  
Date

ROLL CALL VOTE RESULTS

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17 YES, 0 NO, 0 ABSTENSION(S)

District 1:	Carvicous Barfield	YES
District 2:	Sharon Hunt	YES
	Janie McFarland	YES
District 3:	James B. Hunt	YES
	Vacant	-----
District 4:	Ted Woodell	YES
District 5:	Wendy Moore-Graham	YES
	Jarrod Lowery	YES
District 6:	Larry Chavis	YES
	Douglas Locklear	YES
District 7:	Reginald Oxendine	YES
	Jan Lowery	ABSENT
	Alvin Mercer	YES
District 8:	Corbin Eddings	YES
District 9:	Dewey J McNeill	YES
District 10:	Marshil Locklear	ABSENT
District 11:	Frank Cooper	ABSENT
District 12:	Annie Taylor	YES
	Michael Chavis	YES
District 13:	Ricky Burnett	YES
District 14:	Terry Hunt	YES