

LUMBEE TRIBE OF NORTH CAROLINA

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ORDINANCE NO. 0002-0003 DATE July 18, 2002

WHEREAS, The Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, a recognized Indian Tribe of the State of North Carolina, subject to the Constitution of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina and its inherent powers of self-government; and

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

WHEREAS, Article XI, Section 1 of the Constitution of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina states that every elected and appointed tribal official shall affirm upon taking office to abide by this Constitution and the laws of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina;

THEREFORE, be it enacted by the Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina the following ordinance that shall be cited as the "LUMBEE TRIBAL GOVERNMENT OATH OF OFFICE."

1. Oath. All officers, elected or appointed, shall, before entering upon the duties of their respective offices, take and subscribe to the following oath or affirmation to be administered by a person authorized by the Council:

"I, \_\_\_\_\_, do solemnly swear, or affirm, that I will support and defend the Constitution of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina; that I will carry out faithfully and impartially the duties of my office to the best of my ability; that I will preserve for all time the Lumbee way of life and community; that I will promote the educational, cultural, social and economic well-being of the Lumbee Tribe and that I will strive to secure justice and freedom for the Lumbee people."

2. Signature. Each officer must affix his or her signature to an Oath of Office document.
3. Filing. The signed document shall be filed by the Office of the Secretary and made part of the records of the Lumbee tribal government until the officer leaves office. At which time, the officer may request the signed document for his or her personal file.

CERTIFICATION

THIS ORDINANCE ADOPTED THIS THE 18<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2002 AT A MEETING OF THE LUMBEE TRIBAL COUNCIL BY A VOTE OF 21 FOR AND 0 AGAINST.

*Delton O. Henderson*

Speaker of the Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina

*Rosa R. Kinfree July 19, 2002*

Secretary of the Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina

*Milton R. Hunt*

Tribal Chairman of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina

**POSTING:**

This Ordinance duly posted in the Office of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina on this the 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2002 by the Person identified below:

*Ruth B. Lockley*

Signature

*July 19, 2002*

Date