

# LUMBEE TRIBE of NORTH CAROLINA

CLLR-2016-0915-1

DATE: September 15, 2016

## “RE-DISTRICTING 2016”

**WHEREAS**, the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, a recognized American Indian Tribe in 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 Lumbee Tribal Constitution delegates all legislative authority to the Lumbee Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina; and

**WHEREAS**, Article VII, Section 3 of the Lumbee Tribal Constitution charges “the Tribal Council shall consist of twenty-one (21) members who shall be elected from districts within the Lumbee Territory. “These districts shall have boundaries as drawn in accordance with the provisions of Article XII, Section 3, below, which boundaries shall be re-drawn within one (1) year following the publication of each decennial federal census to maintain equal representation for each tribal member,” i.e. “one man, one vote;” and

**WHEREAS**, Article XII, Section 3.b of the Lumbee Tribal Constitution charges “before the election in November 2003, the present tribal officials shall draw boundaries for the twenty-one (21) Tribal Council districts, provided that;

**WHEREAS**, Article XII, Section 3.b.i charges “each tribal member has equal representation on the Tribal Council; and”

**WHEREAS**, Article XII, Section 3.b.ii charges that “the boundaries for Tribal Council districts shall be drawn and published throughout the territory no less than sixty (60) days in advance of the election to be held in November.

**WHEREAS**, The Re-Districting process of 2016 achieves the “one man, one vote” by use of the published decennial federal census as mandated in the constitution. The Re-districting process of 2016 achieves the twenty one (21) Tribal Council districts mandated in the constitution. The Re-districting process was completed and the maps published throughout the tribal territory no less than sixty (60) days in advance of the election to be held in November as mandated in the constitution.

**NOW THEREFORE**, Be it resolved, the Re-Districting was completed fairly and properly by the Lumber River Council of Governments and in accordance with the requirements of the Lumbee Tribal Constitution. We now hereby in session affirm the Re-Districting process for 2016 complete.

**CERTIFICATION**

THIS "RE-DISTRICTING 2016", CLLR-2016-0915-1, ADOPTED AT A MEETING OF THE TWENTY-ONE (21) MEMBER TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE LUMBEE TRIBE OF NORTH CAROLINA WHERE 18 MEMBERS WERE PRESENT, CONSTITUTING A QUORUM, THIS THE 15<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2016 BY A VOTE OF 16 YES, 2 NO, AND \_\_\_ ABSTENTION(S).

Bill James Brewington 9/15/2016  
ATTEST: Bill James Brewington

Speaker, Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina

Jan M. Lowery 9/15/16  
ATTEST: Jan Lowery

Secretary, Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina