

LUMBEE TRIBE OF NORTH CAROLINA

CLLR-2023-0518-01

DATE: May18, 2023

“RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE CROATAN-LUMBEE MEMORIAL FOUNDATION”

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-b of the Constitution of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina delegates all legislative authority to the Tribal Council; and,

WHEREAS, Croatan Indians migrated to Georgia in 1875, shortly after the Civil War, in search of work in the turpentine industry, and;

WHEREAS, The Croatan Cemetery was established in Anabelle, Ga. in 1905, and;

WHEREAS, In 1920 Croatan Indian families returned to their ancestral home of Robeson, County, NC, and;

WHEREAS, Descendants of the Croatan, known today as Lumbee, discovered the Croatan Cemetery were with the knowledge and consent of the landowners, made preparations to preserve the site, and;

WHEREAS, Members of the Lumbee Tribe organized in July 1988 and have been continually engaged in the preservation and perpetual maintenance of the Croatan Cemetery, including the placing of a fence in April 1989, and the placement of a granite identification marker, June 1989, and;

WHEREAS, On June 26, 2004, A Georgia State Highway Historical Marker formally dedicated Highway 301S as The Croatan Indian Community Highway, and;

WHEREAS, On June 04, 2022, 53 unmarked graves were discovered in the Croatan Cemetery and in November 2022 permanent grave markers were installed, and;

WHEREAS, The Secretary-Treasurer of the Croatan-Lumbee Memorial Foundation, established January 6, 2017, petitioned the Lumbee Tribal Council ANR Committee, May 15, 2023, for financial assistance to remove decaying trees and extend the fence to protect graves discovered outside the fence perimeter, and;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Lumbee Tribal Council acknowledges the historical significance the Croatan Cemetery poses to the Lumbee Tribe of NC and the Lumbee people, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Lumbee Tribal Council and Tribal Administration will collaborate to find funds to secure removal of trees and extend the fence of the Croatan Cemetery.

CERTIFICATION

THIS **CLLR-2023-0518-01**, "RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR CROATAN-LUMBEE MEMORIAL FOUNDATION", ADOPTED AT A MEETING OF THE TWENTY-ONE (21) MEMBER TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE LUMBEE TRIBE OF NORTH CAROLINA WHERE 21 MEMBERS WERE PRESENT, CONSTITUTING A QUORUM, THIS THE DAY OF MAY 18TH, 2023, BY A VOTE OF 21 YES ~~0~~ NO ~~0~~ ABSTENTION(S) AND ~~0~~ RECUSAL(S).

Sharon Hunt

5/18/23

ATTEST: SHARON HUNT
Speaker, Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina

Date

Nanci Locklear

5/18/23

ATTEST: NANCI LOCKLEAR
Secretary, Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina

Date

ROLL CALL VOTE RESULTS TO ADOPT

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21 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTENTION(S) 0 RECUSE(S)

District 1:	Billy Oxendine	YES
District 2:	Sharon Hunt	YES
	Gerald Goolsby	YES
District 3:	Harold Smith	YES
	Pam Hunt	YES
District 4:	Jody Bullard	YES
District 5:	Wendy Moore	YES
	Carrington Locklear	YES
District 6:	Kristie Hunt	YES
	Richard Jones	YES
District 7:	Nanci Locklear	YES
	Yvonne Dial	YES
	Rudy Locklear	YES
District 8:	Kathy Hunt	YES
District 9:	Dewey J McNeill	YES
District 10:	Bobby Emanuel	YES
District 11:	Chocajuana Oxendine	YES
District 12:	Josephine Doss	YES
	Annie Taylor	YES
District 13:	Alex Baker	YES
District 14:	Homer Fields	YES