## **LUMBEE TRIBE OF NORTH CAROLINA**

CLLR-2022-0421-10 DATE: APRIL 21, 2022

#### "RESOLUTION FOR MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS PEOPLE"

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 Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina has an Education, Cultural, and Public Relations Committee; and,

WHEREAS, American Indian women are much more likely to be the victims of violence than the general American population; and,

WHEREAS, American Indian women face murder rates ten times the national average and their murder rate does not include the state average; and,

WHEREAS, American Indians are not in many cases included as an option to indicate their race or ethnicity on forms or applications; and,

**WHEREAS**, The Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina recognizes that the issue of missing and murdered Indigenous women and men has developed into a destructive epidemic; and,

WHEREAS, The Robeson County Sheriff's Department and all law enforcement must work diligently and implement every means possible to solve all cases of missing and murdered Indigenous people; and,

WHEREAS, The Governor of North Carolina, political leaders, officials, Commission of Indian Affairs, and American Indian organizations and agencies must work diligently and implement every means possible to establish legislation, provide political support and funding to enhance greater awareness and assist in solving all cases of missing and murdered Indigenous people; and.

WHEREAS, The Robeson County Sheriff's Department, law enforcement, North Carolina's governor, political leaders, officials, Commission of Indian Affairs and American Indian organizations and agencies must partnership with agencies as The Domestic Violence Center and The Rape Crisis Center to collect accurate and updated data and statistics of murdered and missing Indigenous people; and,

WHEREAS, Updated and accurate data and statistics of missing and murdered Indigenous people must be entered into the state and national data bases; and,

WHEREAS, The Robeson County Sheriff's Department, all law enforcement, political leaders, officials, North Carolina's governor, Commission of Indian Affairs and American Indian organizations and agencies must endeavor to bring justice for missing and murdered Indigenous people and their families; and,

**THEREFORE**, Be it resolved, The Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina supports all efforts to bring awareness to this distressing and tragic crisis of missing and murdered Indigenous people; and,

**THEREFORE**, Be it further resolved, The Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina supports the urgency of updated and accurate data and statistics involving missing and murdered Indigenous people to be entered into the state and national data bases; and,

**THEREFORE**, Be it further resolved, The Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina supports and demands justice for the murdered victims and their families.

### **CERTIFICATION**

THIS CLLR-2022-0421-10 "RESOLUTION FOR MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS PEOPLE",
ADOPTED AT A MEETING OF THE TWENTY-ONE (21) MEMBER TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE LUMBEE
TRIBE OF NORTH CAROLINA WHERE 15 MEMBERS WERE PRESENT, CONSTITUTING A
QUORUM, THIS THE 21<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2022, BY A VOTE OF 14 YES, 0 NO,
ABSTENTION(S) AND 0 RECUSE.

Rice Burn	4-21-27
ATTEST: RICKY BURNETT	Date
ATTEST: RICKY BURNETT Speaker, Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina	
Pa Hot	4-21-22
ATTEST: PAM HUNT	Date

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

## **ROLL CALL VOTE RESULTS TO ADOPT**

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# 14 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 1 ABSTENTION(S)

District 1:	Billy Oxendine	YES
District 2:	Sharon Hunt	ABSENT
	Gerald Goolsby	YES
District 3:	Harold Smith	ABSENT
	Pam Hunt	YES
District 4:	Jody Bullard	ABSENT
District 5:	Wendy Moore	YES
	Carrington Locklear	YES
District 6:	Larry Chavis	YES
	Richard Jones	ABSENT
District 7:	Nanci Locklear	ABS
	Yvonne Dial	YES
	Vacant	
District 8:	Corbin Eddings	YES
District 9:	Dewey J McNeill	YES
District 10:	Bobby Emanuel	ABSENT
District 11:	Chocajuana Oxendine	YES
District 12:	Shelley Strickland	YES
	Annie Taylor	YES
District 13:	Ricky Burnett	YES
District 14:	Homer Fields	YES