

A RESOLUTION OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS FOR THE UNITED INDIAN NATIONS OF OKLAHOMA, KANSAS, AND TEXAS (UINOKT) TO SUPPORT THE DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS' MOVE TO KANSAS

RESOLUTION 2013-51

WHEREAS, the Delaware Tribal Council is authorized by Article V of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Delaware Tribe of Indians to represent and act in all matters that concern the general welfare of the Tribe; and,

WHEREAS, the purpose of this organization is to adhere and enhance the preservation and continuity of the membership's rights, powers, laws and privileges as demonstrated by treaties and laws of the United States of America and provide for a unified effort in exerting tribal government authority through tribal regulatory laws, and ordinances and constitutions, and

WHEREAS, the Delaware Tribe of Indians is a federally-recognized tribal government in Good Standing with the United Indian Nations of Oklahoma, Kansas and Texas (UINOKT), and

WHEREAS, the Delaware Tribe has resolved to establish itself as a resident tribe of the State of Kansas domiciled at its tribal administrative office in Caney, Kansas, in its effort to expand its tribal jurisdiction into Kansas for legal and governmental purposes, and

WHEREAS, the Delaware Tribe was a resident tribe of Kansas while living on a federal Indian reservation between 1830 and 1867, and was forced to move to the Indian Territory pursuant to the Treaty of 1866 with the U.S. and subsequent Articles of Agreements, and

WHEREAS, it is difficult for the Delaware Tribe of Indians to exercise its tribal sovereignty when located within another Indian nation; but with the Delaware Tribe's expansion into Kansas and domiciled outside of Oklahoma will allow the Delaware Tribe to fully exercise its tribal sovereignty and self-determination,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Delaware Tribal Council requests that the United Indian Nations of Oklahoma, Kansas, and Texas (UINOKT) support the Delaware Tribe of Indians in its "Return to Kansas" efforts to re-establish a land base in Kansas and provide government services to its tribal members and other qualified Native Americans not otherwise served in Kansas, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that UINOKT support the Delaware Tribe by enacting a resolution of its membership at a duly called and conducted meeting of the organization, such resolution to be approved at its meeting of September 16, 2013 in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing was considered by the Delaware Tribal Council of the Delaware

Tribe of Indians and adopted this 16 TH day	of <u>SE<i>l75mBB</i>R</u> 2013 with a vote of <u>7</u> yes,
\mathcal{O} no, and \mathcal{O} abstaining.	1
Paula Lechonick	Verna Ceamford
Paula Pechonick, Chief	Verna Crawford, Secretary