



**A RESOLUTION OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF  
THE DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS TO  
HAVE A REFERENDUM OF THE ADULT  
VOTING MEMBERSHIP WHO ARE  
REGISTERED TO VOTE CONCERNING A  
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT REQUIRED  
FOR ACCEPTANCE OF IDAHO AND KANSAS  
DELAWARE'S INTO THE DELAWARE TRIBE  
OF INDIANS**

**RESOLUTION 2017-33**

*Authored by CHET BROOKS*

**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 Delaware Tribal Council is authorized by Article IX-Amendments Section 2(b) to pass a resolution by two thirds majority vote calling for a referendum of our adult voting membership; and,

**WHEREAS**, Twenty six Delaware's and Fifty four minor children severed their relationship with the Delaware Tribe in 1867; and

**WHEREAS**, The Delaware Treaty of July 4, 1866 provided that said minor children preserve the right to rejoin the Tribe and Twenty six of them did; and

**WHEREAS**, Rebecca Lucas and Lucinda Marshall moved into Indian Territory with the 985 members of our Tribe but were deceased before 1900 and their Delaware descendants were denied allotments in the Cherokee Nation and therefore moved themselves first to Montana and then to Idaho; and


**WHEREAS**, both Idaho and Kansas Delaware's can only regain their federal recognition by rejoining our Tribe and both groups have petitioned our Tribe to do such for decade's; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Delaware Tribal Council exercising its powers under Article IX Amendments Section 2 (b) to send the attached Constitutional Amendment out to the Delaware Adult Voting Membership who are registered to vote.

## CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing was considered by the Delaware Tribal Council of the Delaware Tribe of Indians and adopted this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August 2017 with a vote of 6 yes, 1 no, and 0 abstaining.

  
Chet Brooks, Chief

  
Attested by: Charles Randall, Secretary

