



**A RESOLUTION OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL
OF THE DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS
CALLING FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE
CONSTITUTION AT ARTICLE VI, SECTIONS 3
AND 4 TO MAKE THE POSTION OF
ASSISTANT CHIEF AN ELECTED POSITION**

RESOLUTION 2022-47

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WHEREAS, the Delaware Tribal Council is the Tribe's governing body and 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, pursuant to the Constitution and Bylaws of the Delaware Tribe of Indians at Article IX, Section 2, It shall be the duty of the Chief to call for an election for the purpose of amending the Constitution and Bylaws when: (b) The Tribal Council, passes a resolution by a 2/3 majority vote, calling for an amendment to the Constitution; and

WHEREAS, in Section 4 as it's currently written, the Chief of the Delaware Tribe of Indians is an elected position of the Delaware Tribal membership and in Section 3 the Assistant Chief is a position voted on by the seated council members; and

WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 3 currently states "The Tribal Council, after being installed in office, shall elect by majority vote from among its members, an Assistant Chief, Secretary and Treasurer. If amended, Section 3 would then read, "The Tribal Council, after being installed in office, shall elect by majority vote from among its members a Secretary and Treasurer."; and

WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 4 currently states "Candidates seeking election to the position of Chief, Tribal Council, or Tribal Court, shall file with the Tribal Office in accordance to Title 4 of the Delaware Tribal Statutes. If amended, Section 4 would then read, "Candidates seeking election to the position of Chief, Assistant Chief, Tribal Council, or Tribal Court, shall file with the Tribal Office in accordance to Title 4 of the Delaware Tribal Statutes."; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware Tribal Council brings forth this question to allow the voting members of the Delaware Tribe the option to choose whether or not they vote on their Assistant Chief as they do for their Chief and if amended it will make the position of Assistant Chief an elected position to be voted on by the eligible voting members of the Delaware Tribe of Indians."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Delaware Tribal Council of the Delaware Tribe of Indians does hereby authorize and approve the Delaware Tribe of Indians Election Board to place the following question on the November ballot for vote:

"Shall Article VI, Sections 3 and 4 of the Delaware Tribe of Indians be amended as follows:

In Section 3 strike ", an Assistant Chief," and insert "a"

In Section 4 after "Chief," insert "Assistant Chief"

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing was considered by the Delaware Tribal Council of the Delaware Tribe of Indians and adopted this 16 day of July 2022 with a vote of 7 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstaining.


Brad KillsCrow, Chief


Attested by: Nicky Kay Michael, Secretary

