

## A RESOLUTION OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS TO APPROVE THE ARPA INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT BETWEEN TRIBAL COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATION FOR THE PURPOSES OF OBLIGATING THE LENAPE SEED GARDEN

## **RESOLUTION 2025-18**

Sponsored by Bonnie Jo Griffith

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, pursuant to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Delaware Tribe of Indians, the Tribe's governing body is the Delaware Tribal Council and under Article V has the authority "to manage and control community tribal property, enterprises, and other economic projects and programs of the Delaware Tribe"; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware Tribe was allocated funding from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) from the U.S. Department of the Treasury established under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA); and

WHEREAS, the Delaware Tribe holds its duty to utilize this funding for projects aimed at safeguarding and enhancing the overall well-being of Delaware tribal members; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware Tribe has recognized the need to create Lenape Seed Garden to preserve tribal cultural practices around food sovereignty; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware Tribe approved the ARPA Interagency Agreement Policy and Procedures via Resolution 2024-123 on September 25, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Interagency Agreement (IAA) associated with this initiative ensures proper allocation and management of ARPA-SLFRF funds and is considered a binding obligation to fulfill the objectives outlined in the agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Interagency Agreement, attached hereto as Exhibit A, outlines the roles, responsibilities, deliverables, and reporting requirements of both parties in compliance with ARPA-SLFRF IAA obligation guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware Tribe has reviewed the terms of the Interagency Agreement and finds it to be in the best interest of the community.

WHEREAS, in order to offer Lenape Seed Garden to its members, the Delaware Tribe wishes to utilize ARPA-SLFRF funds in the amount of \$295,650.00.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** The Delaware Tribal Council of the Delaware Tribe of Indians does hereby authorize and approve the Lenape Seed Garden; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** The Delaware Tribal Council of the Delaware Tribe of Indians heneby approves the Interagency Agreement with the Administration Department for the Lenape Seed Garden and authorizes the Chief to to sign and execute the Interagency Agreement on behalf of the Delaware Tribe of Indians, obligating the ARPA-SLFRF funds for the approved purposes as described in the agreement.

## **CERTIFICATION**

Brad KillsCrow, Chief

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