TRIBAL CONSTITUTION

Interpretation No. 14-2011

WHEREAS, Interpretation No. 1-80 provides that the Tribal Executive Committee (TEC) may at its own motion issue written opinions as to the meaning and interpretation of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe; and

WHEREAS, Article X, Section 2 of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws provides that a "Reservation Business Committee by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of its members shall remove any officer or member of the Committee for the [causes listed thereafter]" and in accordance with the procedures in Article X, Section 3; and

WHEREAS, from time to time the Tribal Executive Committee has been asked to provide its interpretation of the two-thirds vote provision and did so at a Special Meeting on January 5, 1998, and

WHEREAS, the motion that was approved on January 5, 1998, was not memorialized as a written opinion as to the meaning and interpretation of the Constitution as required by Interpretation No. 1-80; and

WHEREAS, in order to conform the interpretation approved on January 5, 1998, to the requirements of Interpretation No. 1-80, the Tribal Executive Committee hereby confirms that interpretation; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the two-thirds provision of Article X, Section 2 of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe shall be interpreted as meaning that four affirmative votes of a five-member RBC (Band governing body) are required to remove one of its members and the accused member shall be permitted to vote.

We do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly presented and acted upon by a vote of 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent, at a Regular Meeting of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribal Executive Committee, a quorum present, held on January 5, 2011 at Onamia, Minnesota.

Norman W. Deschampe, President
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