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RESOLUTION NO. 123

**SUPPORTING THE NATIONAL NATIVE AMERICAN
SUPPLIER COUNCIL**

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, 25 U.S.C. 467 et seq; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 4 Section 1 of the Tribe's Constitution, the Board of Directors is the governing body of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 7 Section 1 of the Tribe's Constitution, the Board of Directors is authorized to enact resolutions or ordinances; and

WHEREAS, tribally owned businesses believe that minority certification is advantageous as it helps them be more competitive in the marketplace; and

WHEREAS, tribally owned businesses are unique from other minority owned businesses because they are owned by and benefit the tribe rather than any individual; and

WHEREAS, such certification of tribally owned businesses should be done by tribes, tribal citizens, and dependents because they understand tribal business and their relationship to their respective tribes; and

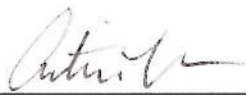
WHEREAS, a group of tribal business people have incorporated a Michigan non-profit corporation to fulfill this need called the "National Native American Supplier Council"; and


WHEREAS, the Board of Directors believes the purposes and goals of the National Native American Supplier Council to be important to promote economic diversification within Indian Country.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby supports the purposes and goals of the National Native American Supplier Council.

CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned, as Chairman and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13 members, of whom 12 members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 4 day of April 2023; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 11 members for, 0 members against, 0 members abstaining, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.


Austin Lowes, Chairman
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
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