

Lac Vieux Desert Band Of Lake Superior Chippewa Tribal Government
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**RESOLUTION NO. T2023-036 SUPPORTING THE NATIONAL NATIVE AMERICAN
SUPPLIER COUNCIL**

WHEREAS, the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians (“Tribe”), is a federally recognized Indian tribe pursuant Pub. L. 100-420 (Sept. 8, 1988) with a constitution approved and adopted pursuant of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, 48 Stat. 984, 25 U.S.C. §476; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Constitution of the Tribe (“Constitution”), the Tribal Council (“Council”) is empowered, pursuant to Article IV, Section 1(a) “to promote and protect the health, safety, education and general welfare of the Tribe and its members”; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article IV, Section 1(f) of the Constitution, the Council has the authority to “manage the economic affairs, enterprises, property, both real and person, and other interests of the [Tribe]”; and,

WHEREAS, the Council is empowered, pursuant to Article IV, Section 1(m), of the Constitution “[t]o take action, not inconsistent with [the] Constitution, which shall be necessary and proper to carry out the sovereign powers of the [Tribe];” and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article IV, Section 1(b) of the Constitution, the Council is authorized to enact resolutions or ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the Council acknowledges and affirms that the Constitution is the supreme law of the tribe subordinate to no other ordinance, resolution, regulation, rule or other enactment of the Council, boards or organizations, or other branches of government of the Tribe; and

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

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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 businesspeople have incorporated a Michigan non-profit corporation to fulfill this need called the “National Native American Supplier Council”; and

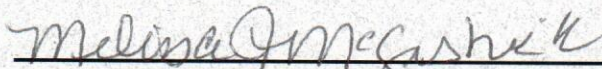
WHEREAS, the Tribal Council believes the purposes and goals of the National Native American Supplier Council to be important to promote economic diversification within Indian Country.

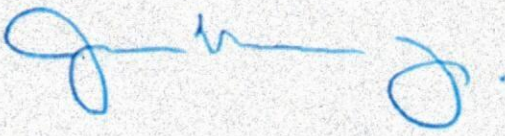
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,
that the Council hereby supports the purposes and goals of the National Native American Supplier Council.

[CERTIFICATION ON FOLLOWING PAGE]

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Chairman of the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians, a tribal government operating under a Constitution adopted pursuant to Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act 25 U.S.C. 476 and, more specifically, 25 U.S.C. 1300(h), do hereby certify that the Tribal Council of the Band is composed of nine (9) members, of whom (9), constituting a quorum, were present at a meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 25th day of May 2023 and that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of (6) members, (0) against, and (0) abstaining, and that the said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.


Melissa J. McGeshick – Tribal Secretary


James Williams, Jr. – Tribal Chairman