

RED LAKE BAND
of CHIPPEWA INDIANS
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RESOLUTION NO. 135-15

Upon a motion by Representative Kingbird and second by Representative Pemberton, the following was enacted:

WHEREAS, the Red Lake Tribal Council is the duly elected governing body of the Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians, a federally recognized Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Red Lake Tribal Council is charged with the responsibility of protecting and advocating for the welfare of the Red Lake Tribal members; and

WHEREAS, the Red Lake Tribal Council has made it a priority to preserve our land and natural resources and with the uncertainty in energy prices and the transition away from fossil fuel energy sources present new challenges and opportunities for the Red Lake Nation; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota GreenStep association is a voluntary challenge, assistance and recognition program to help cities and Tribal Nations achieve their sustainability and quality-of-life goals. GreenStep is a free, continuous improvement program, managed by a public-private partnership, and based upon 28 best practices. Each best practice can be implemented by completing one or more actions at a 1, 2 or 3-star level, from a list of four to eight actions. These actions are tailored to all Minnesota communities, focus on cost savings and energy use reduction, and encourage civic innovation; and

WHEREAS, steps taken toward sustainable solutions aim to improve community quality of life, building community capital and increasing government efficiency, accountability and transparency; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Red Lake Tribal Council hereby authorizes the Red Lake Nation to participate in the Minnesota GreenStep program that offers a free, voluntary continuous improvement framework. Passage of this participation resolution allows the Red Lake Nation to be recognized as a Step One GreenStep Tribal Nation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Red Lake Tribal Council hereby appoints Cody Charwood, Jerry Loud and Dave Close as an alternate to serve as the Red Lake Nation's GreenStep coordinators for best practice documentation and implementation; will facilitate the involvement of community members and other units of government as appropriate in planning and implementing GreenStep best practices; grants the GreenStep program's building advisor read-only access to the Red Lake Nation's B3 Benchmarking Database so as to facilitate analysis and cost-savings advice to the Nation regarding its buildings' energy use; and will claim credit for having implemented and will work at its own pace toward implementing any GreenStep best practices that will result in energy use reduction, economic savings, quality of life improvement, reduction in the Nation's greenhouse gas footprint, and recognition by the League of Minnesota Cities as a Step Two GreenStep Tribal Nation. An on-going summary of the Nation's implementation of best practices will be posted by the Nation on the Minnesota GreenStep Cities web site.

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FOR : 10
AGAINST : 0

We do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and enacted upon at the Regular Meeting of the Tribal Council held on Tuesday, June 9, 2015, with a quorum present, at the Red Lake Nation Headquarters, Red Lake.


DARRELL G. SEKI, SR., CHAIRMAN


DON R. COOK, SR., SECRETARY