

TRIBAL CONSTITUTION

Interpretation No. 15--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 3 of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws provides that “[i]f the Reservation Business Committee deems the accused has failed to answer charges [in a valid petition] to its satisfaction or fails to appear at the appointed time, the Reservation Business Committee may remove as provided in Section 2 or it may schedule a recall election ...” (Emphasis added); and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Executive Committee finds that it is in the best interest of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe to interpret the Revised Constitution and Bylaws and, in doing so, determine the number of votes necessary to schedule a recall election; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Article X, Section 3 of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe shall be interpreted as requiring a majority vote of the members of a Reservation Business Committee to schedule a recall election and all members, including 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, 1 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.


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