



Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe

2020-RES-054

APPROVAL OF FEE AGREEMENT WITH ALISON A. LOWE

WHEREAS, the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe (the "Tribe") is a federally-recognized Indian tribe with a duly-enacted Constitution;

WHEREAS, the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council (the "Tribal Council"), the governing body of the Tribe, deems it essential under Article VI, § 2.A. of the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Constitution ("Constitution") to promote and protect the political integrity, economic security and general welfare of the Tribe and members of the Tribe;

WHEREAS, Article VI, § 2.D. of the Constitution empowers the Tribal Council to negotiate and enter into contracts and agreements with state and local governments, private persons and corporate entities;

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council desires to ensure that the ICWA Department has legal counsel available for care and protection matters involving tribal children;

WHEREAS, Attorney Alison A. Lowe has submitted to the Tribe a Fee Agreement for legal services in connection with a pending care and protection matter (the "Fee Agreement");

WHEREAS, Tribal Council desires to engage Attorney Lowe and approve the Fee Agreement for these legal services;

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds it in the best interests of the Tribe to express its authorization for the Tribal Council Chairman, or other authorized Tribal Council Chairman designee, to execute any documents necessary to accept and approve the Fee Agreement, and to take such other actions as are reasonable or necessary in furtherance of the execution or performance of such agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council hereby approves of and authorizes in substantial conformity the Fee Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit A; and



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, nothing in this resolution or the Fee Agreement shall be read or construed to effect, modify, limit, or waive the sovereign immunity of the MWT, its departments, agencies, organizations, officers, agents, employees and/or instrumentalities; and


BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council authorizes the Tribal Council Chairman, or other Tribal Council Chairman designee, to execute the Fee Agreement and to take such other actions as are reasonable and necessary in furtherance of the execution or performance of the agreement; and

All resolutions or parts of resolutions inconsistent with this resolution are repealed. This resolution is effective immediately and shall continue pursuant to the authority vested in the Tribal Council pursuant to Article VI, §§ 2.A. and D. of the Constitution.

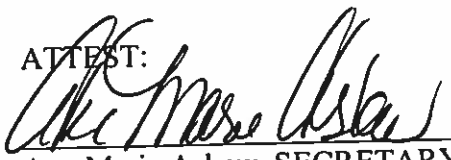
CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned Chairperson and Secretary of the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council, do hereby certify that the Tribal Council is composed of 13 members of whom 9, constituting a quorum, were present at a meeting thereof, duly and regularly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 19th day of August, 2020, and that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the affirmative vote of 7 members, with 0 opposing, and with 2 not voting.

DATED this 19th day of August, 2020.


Cedric Cromwell, CHAIRMAN
Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council

ATTEST:


Ann Marie Askew, SECRETARY
Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council