



Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe

2021-RES-013

APPROVAL AND RATIFICATION OF BRIDGE TO COLLEGES GRANT PROGRAM

- **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 Tribe's Education Department was notified of grant funding available from the Massachusetts Department of Higher Education (DHE) to fund adult college transition services focused on low-income and entry level workers seeking access to post-secondary education pathways leading to in-demand job and careers; (the "DHE Grant");

WHEREAS, the Tribe desires to approve and ratify the submittal of the DHE Grant to the Commonwealth by the Tribe's Education Department;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council hereby approves and ratifies the submittal of the DHE Grant to the Commonwealth by the Tribe's Education Department; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, nothing in this resolution or the 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

All resolutions or parts of resolutions inconsistent with this resolution are repealed.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.



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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 8, constituting a quorum, were present at an Emergency Meeting thereof duly and regularly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 22nd Day of March, 2021 and that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the affirmative vote of 7 members, with 0 opposing, and with 1 not voting.

DATED this 22nd day of March, 2021.

Jessie Little Doe Baird, VICE CHAIRWOMAN
Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council

ATTEST:

Ann Marie Askew, SECRETARY
Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council