



**Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe**  
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## **2023-RES-031**

### **AMENDMENT TO 2011-RES-045 APPOINTMENT OF TRIBAL COUNCIL MEMBERS TO TRIBAL ENTITIES**

- WHEREAS,** the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe (“Tribe”) is a federally-recognized Indian tribe with a duly-enacted Constitution; and
- WHEREAS,** the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council (“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; and
- WHEREAS,** the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe (“Tribe”), is a federally recognized Indian Tribe with duly-enacted Constitution and the governing body of the Tribe is known as the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council (“Tribal Council”); and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council, deems it essential under Article VI, § 2.A of the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Constitution (“Constitution”) to promote and protect the health, peace, morals, education, political integrity, economic security and general welfare of the Tribe and members of the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS,** Article VI, § 2.B of the Constitution provides that the Tribal Council is empowered to establish departments of the Tribal government; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council considers it essential to promote the welfare of the Tribe and to ensure efficient legislative process that the Tribal Council exercise its legislative power to create departments, committees and commissions (collectively, the “Tribal entities”) to assist and advise, among other things, the Tribal Council on

matters within their assigned jurisdiction, and also for the general orderly management and control of the business of the Tribal Council by assisting the Tribal Council with their specialization and expertise; and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of this Resolution is to amend 2011-RES-045, *Appointment of Tribal Council Members to Tribal Entities*, to amend language concerning appointment authority of the Tribal Council; and

**WHEREAS**, on August 10, 2011, the Tribal Council adopted 2011-RES-045, *Appointment of Tribal Council Members to Tribal Entities*, and resolved that the Tribal Council Chairperson has identified the need from time to time to appoint Tribal Council members to serve as a Liaison to the Tribal entities or serve as a member of a committee or commission to ensure that the relations, communication, education, and policy development between the Tribal Council and Tribal entities are efficient and effective. A committee or commission can have up to two Council Members serve, one as a Liaison and the other as a member. A department can have a Council Member serve as a Liaison; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council now desires to authorize the Tribal Council body to make such appointments as described in 2011-RES-045; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Resolve Clause in 2011-RES-045, *Appointment of Tribal Council Members to Tribal Entities*, is hereby amended by: striking “Chairperson has identified” and adding “may” so it reads in its entirety:

**WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council may ~~Chairperson has identified the need~~ from time to time to appoint Tribal Council members to serve as a Liaison to the Tribal entities or serve as a member of a committee or commission to ensure that the relations, communication, education, and policy development between the Tribal Council and Tribal entities are efficient and effective. A committee or commission can have up to two Council Members serve, one as a Liaison and the other as a member. A department can have a Council Member serve as a Liaison; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Tribal Council may from time to time to appoint Tribal Council members to serve as a Liaison to the Tribal entities or serve as a member of a committee or commission to ensure that the relations, communication, education, and policy development between the Tribal Council and Tribal entities are efficient and effective. A committee or commission can have up to two Council Members serve, one as a Liaison and the other as a member. A department can have a Council Member serve as a Liaison.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that the Tribal Council may appoint members of the Tribal Council as Liaison to the Tribal entities or as a member to a committee or commission, and to remove such individual.

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 10, constituting a quorum, were present at a regular meeting thereof, duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023 and that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the affirmative vote of 9 members, with 0 opposing, and with 0 not voting.

DATED this 12<sup>th</sup> day of April 2023.



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Brian Weeden, Chairman  
Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council

ATTEST:



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Cassie Jackson, Secretary  
Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council