



**Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe**  
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**2023-RES-109**  
**RATIFICATION OF APPROVAL OF BETTER WAY**  
**FOUNDATION 2023 GRANT SUBMITTAL**

**WHEREAS**, the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe (“Tribe”) is a federally-recognized Indian Tribe with a duly-enacted Constitution;

**WHEREAS**, the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council (“Tribal Council”), the governing body of the Tribe, deems it essential, and is empowered, under Article VI, §2.A. of the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Constitution to promote and protect the health and general welfare of the members of the Tribe;

**WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council is empowered under Article VI, § 2.D. of the Constitution to negotiate and enter into contracts and agreements with Federal, State and Local governments;

**WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council received notice from the *Better Way Foundation*, of the *Better Way Foundation 2023 Grant* (“Grant Submittal”);

**WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council intends to create a website for the Language Department to serve as a central point for Tribal members to access information about programming, events, classes and more;

**WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council is requesting authorization on the proposed funding direct costs and indirect costs of \$25,000. This proposed budget meets the applicable federal regulatory standard(s), tribal resolutions and policies as regards to IDC @ a .10 rate.

*This request is made on behalf of the Tribal Council and should and does reflect the Tribe's IDC responsibilities under previous resolutions of the Tribal Council; and*

**WHEREAS**, on October 25, 2023, at a duly called Emergency Meeting, the Tribal Council approved the submittal of the Grant Submittal and now desires to ratify this approval;

**WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council desires to ratify, confirm, and affirm the approval and authorization to submit the Grant Submittal.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Tribal Council desires to ratify, confirm, and affirm the approval and authorization to submit the Grant Submittal to the Better Way Foundation.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Tribal Council hereby ratifies, confirms and affirms the authorization of the Tribal Council Chairman, or in his absence, other Tribal Council Officer, the requisite authority and power for an on behalf of the to take all necessary action to ensure the successful submittal to the Better Way Foundation.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Mashpee Wampanoag Language Department shall be assigned duties as “Grant Application Process Owners” and as such shall, with the cooperation of the Tribal Administrator/Operations Manager, provide the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council in advance, a scope of work or synopsis which is a Grants Info Sheet and Resolution for the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council for review, discussion and approval. The Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Language Director, shall research and collaborate with the appropriate Financial and Development Team to submit all required documentation pertaining to a complete and accurate grant application, meeting all deadlines for submission, *and*,

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, the Tribal Council authorizes the implementation of the ANA Language Preservation program with an estimated budget of \$25,000 including direct and indirect costs.

Effective immediately and until revoked or modified by the Tribal Council, pursuant to the authority vested in the Tribal Council pursuant to Article VI, Sections 2.A. and D. of the Constitution of the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe.

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 duly elected Chairman and Secretary of the Tribal Council do hereby certify that the above Resolution was duly adopted on December 6, 2023 by the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council which is composed of 13 members, of whom 12 constituting a quorum, were present at a regular meeting duly called, noticed, convened, and held on December 6, 2023 and that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the affirmative vote of 11 members, with 0 opposing, and with 0 not voting and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> date of December, 2023



Brian Weeden, Chairman  
Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council

ATTEST:



Cassie Jackson, Secretary  
Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council