



**RESOLUTION NO: 2005-45**  
**COMMUNITY-BASED PROBLEM-SOLVING**  
**CRIMINAL JUSTICE INITIATIVE**

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934; and

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians desires to implement collaborative cross-agency strategies to effectively change the behavior of offenders, prevent future offending, and make communities safer; and

WHEREAS, the practice of Restorative Justice is compatible to Traditional Aboriginal forms of justice; and

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians intends to implement Restorative Justice by means of a Peacemaker Court within the seven county service area; and

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), is soliciting for application submissions for the FY 2005 Community-Based Problem-Solving Criminal Justice Initiative; and


WHEREAS, this project's target population emphasis shall be Tribal members throughout the seven county service area; and


WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, Judicial Services- Tribal Court, and Peacemaker Steering Committee share these goals.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorizes its Chairperson, Aaron Payment, to sign, negotiate and execute any documents on behalf of the Tribe, with the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), to obtain a Community-Based Problem-Solving Criminal Justice Grant award for FY 2005 through FY 2007, for the purpose of providing effective remediation and restorative justice practices within the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians jurisdiction.

**CERTIFICATION**

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13 members, of whom 12 members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 5 day of April 2005; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 11 members for, 0 members against, 0 members abstaining, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

  
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RESOLUTION NO: 2005-46

**2005-2006 U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE  
TRIBAL WILDLIFE GRANTS PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the provisions of the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, as amended; and

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WHEREAS, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Provides grant opportunities to federally recognized Indian Tribes to develop Tribal Wildlife Management Plans which will build a foundation utilized for restoration and preservation; and


WHEREAS, the Black and White Ash trees that are under attack from an invasive species, the Emerald Ash Borer, which has a 100% mortality rate; and

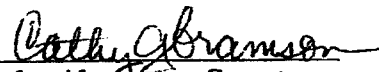
WHEREAS, tribal natural resources have suffered impacts and many have not fully adjusted and need restoration/preservation efforts to survive for future generations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians authorizes its Chairperson Aaron Payment, to sign, negotiate, amend, and execute any grant agreement thereof for the 2005-2006 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to develop a Tribal Wildlife Management Plans and participate in efforts to conserve and preserve the natural resources within the 1836 Ceded Territory.

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RESOLUTION NO: 2005-47

**GRANTING FORGIVENESS TO CHRISTOPHER L. PORCARO**

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, 25 U.S.C. 467 et seq; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has enacted Tribal Code Chapter 76: Gaween-Nji-Da that allows for the granting of forgiveness to tribal members who have been convicted of a crime and would be denied a license for employment in a gaming operation pursuant to Chapter 42; and

WHEREAS, Christopher L. Porcaro is a tribal member who has been convicted of MCL 750.356(5), Larceny on April 4, 2001 and of Tribal Code 71.1003, Passing Bad Checks, on December 4, 2004, and

WHEREAS, Christopher L. Porcaro, would be denied a license for employment as a key employee or primary management official because of the criminal conviction; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has determined that Christopher L. Porcaro, is not likely to engage in any offensive or criminal course of conduct and the public good does not require that he be denied a license as a key employee or primary management official.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors, pursuant to Tribal Code Chapter 76 grants forgiveness to Christopher L. Porcaro, for the convictions of MCL 750.356(5), Larceny on April 4, 2001 and of Tribal Code 71.1003, Passing Bad Checks on December 4, 2004.

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RESOLUTION NO: 2005-48

**GRANTING FORGIVENESS TO KENNAN L. MILLER**

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, 25 U.S.C. 467 et seq; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has enacted Tribal Code Chapter 76: Gaween-Nji-Da that allows for the granting of forgiveness to tribal members who have been convicted of a crime and would be denied a license for employment in a gaming operation pursuant to Chapter 42; and

WHEREAS, Kennan L. Miller is a tribal member who has been convicted of MCL §750.546, Trespass on January 3, 2001; and

WHEREAS, Kennan L. Miller, would be denied a license for employment as a key employee or primary management official because of the criminal convictions; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has determined that Kennan L. Miller is not likely to engage in any offensive or criminal course of conduct and the public good does not require that he be denied a license as a key employee or primary management official.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors, pursuant to Tribal Code Chapter 76 grants forgiveness to Kennan L. Miller for the conviction of: MCL 750.546, Trespass on January 3, 2001.

**CERTIFICATION**

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RESOLUTION NO: 2005-49

**APPOINTMENT OF KENNETH J ERMATINGER SR.  
CLASS II GAMING COMMITTEE**


WHEREAS Kenneth J. Ermatinger, Sr., on behalf of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, and its government instrumentality, the Kewadin Casinos Gaming Authority, was nominated by the Tribal administration to serve on a joint federal-tribal committee established to assist the National Indian Gaming Commission in developing classification and technical standards relevant to Class II gaming; and

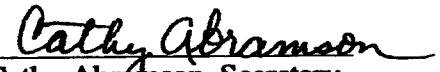
WHEREAS the Board of Directors desires to clarify the authority granted Kenneth J. Ermatinger, Sr.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors hereby declares that Kenneth J. Ermatinger is an employee of the Tribe designated with the authority to act on behalf of the Tribe in regards to the joint federal-tribal committee referenced above.

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**RESOLUTION NO: 2005-50**  
**NATIONAL INDIAN GAMING ASSOCIATION**

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934; and

WHEREAS, The Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors is the governing body of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indian; and

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WHEREAS, the health, safety, welfare and education of the Indian people of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe is the responsibility of the Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, the National Indian Gaming Association (NIGA) is a voluntary association composed of member Tribes and associate members representing federally recognized Tribal governments, gaming Tribes, Rancherias, Pueblos, Bands, and Businesses engaged in gaming enterprises in Indian Country; and


WHEREAS, the primary objectives and purpose of NIGA are:


1. to promote, protect, and preserve the general welfare and interest of Indian gaming Tribes through the development of sound policies and practices with respect to the conduct of gaming activities in Indian Country;
2. to assist in the dissemination of information to the Indian gaming community, federal government and general public on issues related to the conduct of gaming in Indian Country;
3. to preserve and protect the integrity of gaming in Indian Country, and
4. to maintain, protect and advocate Indian Tribal sovereignty.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby appoint Kenneth Ermatinger as the Tribe's representative to NIGA, with Aaron Payment, Paul Shagen, Todd Gravelle, Allen Kerridge, Victor Matson, Jr., Anthony Goetz, and Steven Sprecker as Alternative Representatives. This appointment will be in effect until replaced by the Board of Directors.

**C E R T I F I C A T I O N**

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**RESOLUTION NO:** 2005-51

**DECLARATION OF INDIAN AREA FOR SECTION 184 HOUSING ASSISTANCE**

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians ("Tribe") is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, 25 U.S.C. 467 et seq; and

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WHEREAS, the Tribe has established a Housing Authority pursuant to Tribal Code Chapter 90: Housing Authority Ordinance, for purposes of, in part, managing and developing housing and housing related services for the Tribe and receiving and administering housing related federal block grant funds; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has adopted Tribal Code Chapter 83: Evictions and Foreclosures, for purposes of, in part, promoting the construction, financing and sale of residential homes to Tribal members and securing loans by private lenders guaranteed by the Department of Housing and Urban Development pursuant to Section 184 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992, as amended by the Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act of 1996 ("NAHASDA"), Pub. L. 104-330 ("Section 184"); and

WHEREAS, Section 184 loan guarantees are available to Indian Tribes and individual Indian families for Eligible Housing located on Indian Land or within an Indian Area, as those terms are defined; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe's Housing Authority currently administers a successful program for affordable housing assistance made possible by Section 184 loan guarantees for Tribal members; and

WHEREAS, the Declaration of Need identified in Tribal Code Section 90.102 exists not only within the Tribe's traditional seven county service area, but extends throughout the State of Michigan based on historical and current populations of Tribal members; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors desires to recognize and acknowledge the Tribe's Indian Area for purposes of Section 184 as all land situated within the geographic boundaries of the State of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors desires to provide Tribal members, and members of other federally recognized Indian tribes, access to the Section 184 program throughout the State of Michigan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors declares that the Tribe's Indian Area, as that term is defined by and for purposes of Section 184, consists of all land located within the geographic boundaries of the State of Michigan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors declares that it desires to provide Tribal members, and members of other federally recognized Indian tribes, residing within the Tribe's Indian Area, as above described, access to the Section 184 program, subject to any requirements of the Section 184 program, and provided no further obligations are imposed on the Tribe.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Directors hereby extends the ability of the Housing Authority to administer Section 184 assistance to Tribal members, and other members of federally recognized Indian tribes, residing within the Tribe's Indian Area, as above described, to the fullest extent Section 184 assistance is available.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Directors authorizes the Housing Authority to designate in the Indian Housing Plan that the Indian Area within which the Housing Authority provides services includes land located within the geographic boundaries of the State of Michigan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman, or his designee, is authorized and directed to execute and deliver such other agreements, certificates, documents, or instruments, as may be required or take any and all such action which may be necessary to execute the foregoing.

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RESOLUTION NO: 2005-52

**2005 HOME IMPROVEMENT/WEATHERIZATION**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the attached FY 2005 Tribal Support Budget Modification of \$150,000.00 for Home Improvement/Weatherization.

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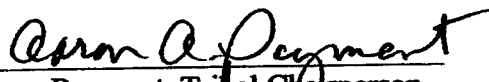
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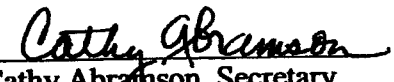
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RESOLUTION NO: 2005-53

## FINANCIAL REPORTING

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the provisions of the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article VII, Section (1)(m) of the Tribal Constitution, the Board of Directors has the power to manage any and all economic affairs of the Tribe and to use Tribal funds or other resources for such purposes; and

WHEREAS, to fully exercise this Constitutional power, the Board of Directors must be fully apprised of the Tribe's financial expenditures; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe's accounting systems are capable of producing extensive reports regarding the Tribe's financial expenditures; and

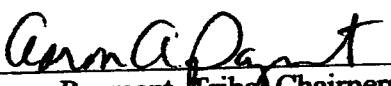
WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has determined that it is in the best interest of the Tribe for the Board to receive a report of all checks issued by the Tribe over the \$500.00, excluding payroll checks issued to employees.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chairperson shall cause to be prepared and shall ensure that the Board of Directors receives monthly reports of all checks issued by the Tribe over \$500.00, excluding payroll checks issued to employees.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the report: (1) shall be in writing (2) shall be prepared monthly; (3) shall be received by the Board of Directors no later than the 15<sup>th</sup> of the following month; (4) shall include the payee, date, and amount of check; (5) shall be organized by and contain the cost center or company; (6) shall separately state all checks issued to independent contractors or consultants, including, but not limited to, outside legal counsel, accountants, lobbyists, and advisors.

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RESOLUTION NO: 2005-54

**IDENTIFICATION OF LAND FOR ACQUISITION  
IN ROMULUS, MICHIGAN**

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians ("Tribe") is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, 25 U.S.C. 467 et seq; and

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WHEREAS, the Tribe has entered into a settlement agreement, subject to federal approval, with the State of Michigan to settle certain land claims; and


WHEREAS, as part of the settlement agreement, the Tribe is authorized to acquire up to forty (40) acres of land in the City of Romulus, Michigan, to be placed in trust for the benefit of the Tribe.

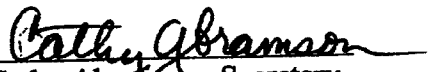
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors desires to exercise its rights under the settlement agreement with the State of Michigan by selecting the City of Romulus, Michigan, as the preferred site for acquisition of up to 40 acres of land, so long as appropriate approvals and agreements may be reached with local officials regarding the selected site.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors must approve, by subsequent affirmative action, any final acquisition of land.

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