JANUARY 2016 SESSION CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE

LR No. <u>16-04</u>

Introduced by the Natural Resources Committee

A Legislative Resolution Titled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE TO CONFIRM NOMINATION TO THE CROW TRIBAL NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT CABINET HEAD THOMAS TEN BEAR, SR.

Legislative Findings:

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 2(a) of the Crow Tribal Constitution vests the Crow Tribal Legislature (hereinafter "Legislature") with the power and duty to promulgate and adopt resolutions in accordance with the Crow Tribal Constitution and federal law for the governance of the Crow Tribe; and

WHEREAS, LR 10-20 states, "[t]he policy of the Legislature shall be that legislative resolutions are an expression of the voice of the elected Senators of the Crow Tribal Legislature, and which is based on the inherent sovereign tribal authority of the Crow Tribal General Council, as delegated to the Legislature under the 2001 Constitution"; and

WHEREAS, under LR 10-20, Section 1, 4. <u>Confirmation Resolutions</u> state, "[r]esolutions providing for the confirmation of tribal officers or judges, in accordance with established tribal law and legislative procedure"; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution and Bylaws of the Crow Tribe of Indians, Article IV, Section 5. Chairman's Duties and Authorities, provides that "[t]he specific duties and authorities of the Chairman shall be: a) to appoint Cabinet members including a Comptroller who shall be bonded, Chief Executive Officer and other such Cabinet positions adopted by Tribal Ordinance, Resolution or Policy who shall all serve in subordinate positions to the Tribal Officials"; and

WHEREAS, JAR 02-04, states, "the Legislative Branch of the Crow Tribe has desire to insure that persons selected for the key positions of Cabinet Heads and CEO, are adequately qualified for the positions and to insure that they are adequately qualified shall comply with the following standards, be at least 25 years old, possess a High School Diploma or equivalent, shall have no Felony convictions, to provide for the utmost protection of the Tribal membership, Tribal funds assets and resources"; and

WHEREAS, the Natural Resources Committee held a confirmation hearing on the record pursuant to Rule 31 (Legislative Confirmation Procedure) on October 20, 2015 with a secret ballot vote resulting in official recommendation of Executive Nominee-Thomas Ten Bear Sr. for confirmation by the full Legislature, as the Natural Resources Cabinet Head; and

WHEREAS, the Legislative Branch held a confirmation hearing on the record pursuant to Rule 31 (Legislative Confirmation Procedure) on January 13, 2016 by secret ballot vote resulting in official confirmation of the nominee by the full Legislature.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE IN REGULAR SESSION:

Section 1. The following individual, Thomas Ten Bear, Sr., is hereby confirmed as the Natural Resources Cabinet Head and shall exercise all duties and authorities in accordance with Crow Tribal law and applicable federal law, and shall provide quarterly reporting to the Legislative Branch with guidelines contained in LR 10-21, as evidence by his oath of office taken this day.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED:

This Legislative Resolution take effect immediately upon becoming duly adopted by the Legislature.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that this Legislative Resolution Titled A RESOLUTION OF THE CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE TO CONFIRM NOMINATION TO THE CROW TRIBAL NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT CABINET HEAD THOMAS TEN BEAR, SR. was duly enacted by the Crow Tribal Legislature with a vote of 14 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining and that a quorum was present on this 22nd day of January, 2016.

Sen. R. Knute Old Crow, Sr.

Speaker of the House Crow Tribal Legislature

ATTEST:

Sen. Eric Birdinground

Secretary Pro-Tem

Crow Tribal Legislature



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Bill or Resolution: LR16-04 Introduced by: Natural Resources Committee Date of Vote: 1/22/2016 Number

Representative:	Yes	No	Abstained
G. Three Irons	X		
B. Rogers			
F. White Clay	X		
P. Hill	X		
E. Birdinground Secretary Pro-Tem	X	1	
S. Real Bird			
V. Nomee	X	4	
T. Gros Ventre	X	1	
V. Crooked Arm	X	-	
P. Spotted Horse, Sr.	X	-	
L. DeCrane	X		
C. Goes Ahead	X		
B. Hugs	X		
G. Real Bird, Jr.		-	
B. Good Luck	X		
H. Male Bear, Jr.	X		
P. Alden, Jr.			
R. Old Crow, Sr. Speaker of the House	X		
Totals:	14	0	0
Result of Vote:	Passed	Not Passed	Tabled Veto-Override

Senator R. Knute Old Crow, Sr.

Speaker of the House

Senator Eric Birdinground

Secretary Pro-Tem

Legislative Branch of the Crow Nation







Certificate of Oath of Office Natural Resource Cabinet Head Thomas Ten Bear, Sr.

"I, Thomas Ten Boay, do solemnly swear that I will administer justice and do equal right without respect to persons and will truly, faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent upon me as a member of the Natural Resources Commission according to the best of my abilities and understanding. So help me God."

<u>/-/3-/6</u> Date

Thomas Ten Bear, Sr.

The following individual, Thomas Ten Bear, Sr., is confirmed as the Natural Resources Cabinet Head and shall exercise all duties and authorities in accordance with Crow Tribal law and applicable federal law, and shall provide quarterly reporting to the Legislative Branch with guidelines contained in

LR 10-21, upon entering the oath of office.

Senator R. Knute Old Crow

Speaker of the House Crow Tribal Legislature Senator Pat Alden, Ir

Secretary of the House Crow Tribal Legislature