#### **CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE**

### FEBRUARY 5, 2019 SPECIAL SESSION

## **LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION NO. 19-08**

Introduced by Legislative Branch

A Legislative Resolution of the Crow Tribal Legislature titled

A RESOLUTION OF THE CROW TRIBAL LEGISTATURE TO RECOGNIZE THE VALIDITY OF THE REMOVAL OF ALVIN "A.J." NOT AFRAID AND KNUTE OLD CROW BY THE CROW PEOPLE AND THE SUBSEQUENT SWEARING IN OF CARLSON "DUKE" GOES AHEAD AND SHAWN BACKBONE AS THE RIGHTFUL AND LEGITIMATE EXECUTIVE OF THE CROW TRIBE

Statement of Legislative Findings:

**WHEREAS**, the Crow Tribal Legislative Branch (hereinafter "Legislature") has the power and duty pursuant to Article V, Section 2 of the Crow Tribal Constitution; and

**WHEREAS**, the Crow Executive Branch has certain powers given to it by the Crow People through the Crow Constitution, and

**WHEREAS**, the Crow Constitution, in Article VIII, Section 1, does describe the method of removal of one or more elected executive officers; and

**WHEREAS**, then Vice-Chairman Carlson "Duke" Goes Ahead and Vice-Secretary Back Bone executed a removal petition election as described in Article VIII, Section 1 of the Crow Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the removal petition election was held on January 19, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, more than twenty-five percent (25%) of registered Crow voters voted for the removal of both Alvin Not Afraid and Knute Old Crow; and

**WHEREAS**, the final numbers were as follows: 4171 registered voters, 1127 votes cast (27.5% of registered voters), 1063 votes to remove Not Afraid, 63 to retain Not Afraid, 894 votes to remove Old Crow, 107 votes to retain Old Crow; and

WHEREAS, Article VIII, Section 1 of the Crow Constitution requires two thirds of the voters who vote to affirm a removal of an executive officer; and

WHEREAS, the vote totals for each exceeded the two thirds requirement; and

**WHEREAS**, Article VIII, Section 1 of the Crow Constitution makes the results immediately final.

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# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE TRIBAL LEGISLATURE IN SPECIAL SESSION:

That Carlson "Duke" Goes Ahead is the sworn Chairman of the Crow Tribe, and

Shawn BackBone is the sworn Secretary of the Crow Tribe, and

As the rightful executives of the Crow Tribe, each possesses the powers as described in Article IV of the Crow Constitution, and

Alvin "A.J." Not Afraid and Knute Old Crow have no authority as Executive officials of the Crow Tribe, and

Alvin "A.J." Not Afraid and Knute Old Crow have no authority to speak or act on behalf of the Crow Tribe and its People, and

Alvin "A.J." Not Afraid and Knute Old Crow have no authority to use the resources of the Crow Tribe except those that are afforded to all Crow members, in particular each has no authority over tribal financial resources.

#### BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

Chairman Goes Ahead and Secretary Backbone have called for a Special Election as described in Article VII, Section 1 of the Crow Constitution to be held on March 23, 2019, and that election date is recognized by the Crow Legislature as the lawful action and proper action after the removal petition election.

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## **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that this Legislative Resolution Titled A RESOLUTION OF THE CROW TRIBAL LEGISTATURE TO RECOGNIZE THE VALIDITY OF THE REMOVAL OF ALVIN "A.J." NOT AFRAID AND KNUTE OLD CROW BY THE CROW PEOPLE AND THE SUBSEQUENT SWEARING IN OF CARLSON "DUKE" GOES AHEAD AND SHAWN BACKBONE AS THE RIGHTFUL AND LEGITIMATE EXECUTIVE OF THE CROW TRIBE was duly adopted by the Crow Tribal Legislature with a vote of 11 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstaining and that a quorum was present on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of February 2019.

Sen. Frank White Clay Speaker of the House Crow Tribal Legislature

ATTEST:

Sen. Lawrence DeCrane Secretary of the House Crow Tribal Legislature



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# Bill or Resolution: <u>LR19-08</u> Introduced by: <u>Crow Legislative Branch</u> Date of Vote: <u>2/5/2019</u> Number

REPRESENTATIVE:	Yes	No	Abstained
M. White Clay			_
D. Spotted	X		-
L.Hogan, III	X		
B. Brown			X
S. Real Bird	X		
V. Nomee	X		
T. Yellowtail	X		
T. Gros Ventre	X		
P. Alden, Jr.			
M. Not Afraid			
G. Bouyer			
J. Demontiney	X		
B. Hugs			
N. Old Crow, Jr.			X
B. Good Luck	X	**************************************	
H. Male Bear-Stone, Jr.	X		
L. DeCrane, Secretary	X	<del></del>	
F. White Clay, Speaker	X		
Total:	11	0	2
Result of Vote:  Passed	Not Passed	Tabled	Veto-Override

Senator Frank White Clay

Date

Speaker of the House

Crow Tribal Legislative Branch

Senator Lawrence DeCrane

Secretary of the House

Crow Tribal Legislative Branch